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[There is no reportable action as a result of the 1 Board of Supervisors closed session held today.] 2 3 5 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: OKAY, THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF 6 SUPERVISORS SEPTEMBER 27 MEETING WILL COME TO ORDER. LET ME 7 8 JUST STATE THAT FOR THE RECORD, WE DO NOT ALLOW APPLAUSE. IF YOU WANT TO SHOW YOUR SUPPORT FOR AN ISSUE, YOU COULD JUST 9 RAISE YOUR HANDS, BUT WE DON'T ALLOW APPLAUSE DURING OUR BOARD 10 MEETINGS. YOU WANT TO SHOW -- EXPRESS SUPPORT OR OPPOSITION, 11 YOU CAN ALWAYS JUST RAISE YOUR HANDS LIKE THAT OUIETLY. WE'D 12 APPRECIATE THAT. WE'RE GOING TO FIRST BE OPENING OUR BOARD 13 MEETING IN PRAYER BY BISHOP JUAN CARLOS MENDEZ OF THE CENTRO 14 CRISTIANO BETEL CHURCH IN SOUTH GATE IN THE FIRST 15 16 SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT AND OUR PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE WILL BE LED BY PETER DOUGLAS III, WHO IS THE COMMANDER OF POST NO. 17 18 280, EAST PASADENA, OF THE AMERICAN LEGION. AND THE AUDIENCE 19 WILL PLEASE RISE. AND BISHOP? 20 BISHOP MENDEZ: THANK YOU FOR COMING THIS MORNING. HEAVENLY 21 22 FATHER, WE COME BEFORE YOUR PRESENCE AND WE THANK YOU FOR THE 23 OPPORTUNITY OF PRAYING IN THIS BEAUTIFUL COUNTRY. LORD, WE PRAY FOR OUR LEADERS, ESPECIALLY FOR OUR COUNTY OF LOS 24 ANGELES, FOR MAYOR ANTONOVICH, AND FOR EVERY SUPERVISOR THAT 25



- 1 HAS A RESPONSIBILITY BEFORE YOU. LORD, I PRAY THAT THE
- 2 DECISIONS THEY MAKE TODAY WILL BE HONORABLE BEFORE YOU, THEY
- 3 WILL BE FAIR. AND AS YOUR PEOPLE, I PRAY, GOD, THAT YOU WILL
- 4 HELP US TO HAVE PEACE IN THE MIDST OF THE STORM. LORD, WE PRAY
- 5 FOR EVERY FAMILY IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES THAT'S
- 6 EXPERIENCING HARDSHIP. WE PRAY FOR OUR TEACHERS. WE PRAY FOR
- 7 OUR POLICEMEN. WE PRAY FOR OUR FIREMEN. WE PRAY FOR OUR
- 8 DOCTORS. WE PRAY FOR EVERY WORKER THAT MAKES THIS COUNTY A
- 9 WORTHY PLACE TO LIVE IN. LORD, WE PRAISE YOU AND THANK YOU
- 10 THIS MORNING, AMEN AND AMEN.

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- 12 PETER DOUGLAS III: EVERYONE WILL PLEASE FACE THE AMERICAN
- 13 FLAG. PLACE YOUR RIGHT HAND OVER YOUR HEART AND REPEAT AFTER
- 14 ME. (PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE RECITED). THANK YOU.

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16 SUP. MIKE ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: SUPERVISOR MOLINA?

- 18 SUP. MOLINA: IT'S MY HONOR THIS MORNING TO PRESENT THIS
- 19 CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION TO BISHOP JUAN CARLOS MENDEZ. IN
- 20 1989, BISHOP JUAN CARLOS MENDEZ JOINED OTHER PASTORS AND
- 21 ESTABLISHED A SMALL CONGREGATION CALLED CENTRO CRISTIANO IN
- 22 SOUTHEAST LOS ANGELES. TODAY CENTRO CRISTIANO IS A THRIVING
- 23 PARISH WITH OVER 10,000 ACTIVE MEMBERS WORLDWIDE OFFERING
- 24 COMPASSIONATE SPIRITUAL GUIDANCE. OVER THE YEARS, THE BISHOP
- 25 HAS TRAVELED EXTENSIVELY AS A SPEAKER, TEACHER AND



- 1 ADMINISTRATOR, FOCUSING ON OUTREACH AND INTERFAITH GATHERINGS
- 2 AT COLLEGES, SEMINARIES AND NUMEROUS DIVERSE COMMUNITIES
- 3 THROUGHOUT THE WORLD. WE THANK YOU FOR LEADING US IN A VERY,
- 4 VERY THOUGHTFUL INVOCATION. AND THANK YOU FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP
- 5 IN THE COMMUNITY. THANK YOU SO MUCH, SIR. [APPLAUSE.]

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- 7 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: ONCE AGAIN LET ME INTRODUCE PETER
- 8 DOUGLAS FROM ALTADENA, HE'S AN AMERICAN LEGION COMMANDER, POST
- 9 NO. 280, EAST PASADENA. HE SERVED IN THE UNITED STATES AIR
- 10 FORCE WITH THE RANK OF SERGEANT. AND HE ATTENDED PHILLIPS
- 11 CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL IN NEW JERSEY, AND UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN
- 12 CALIFORNIA, MARK'S FAVORITE UNIVERSITY, U.S.C. SO THANK YOU
- 13 FOR COMING DOWN. [APPLAUSE.]

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15 SUP. MIKE ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: CALL THE ROLL.

- 17 CLERK SACHI HAMAI: GOOD MORNING, MR. MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF THE
- 18 BOARD. WE WILL BEGIN TODAY'S AGENDA ON PAGE 2, PRESENTATIONS
- 19 AND SET MATTERS. ON SET MATTER ITEM NO. 1, 2 AND 3, WE WILL
- 20 HOLD FOR THE PUBLIC HEARING. ON PAGE 4, SET MATTER ITEM NO. 2,
- 21 AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA, THE DIRECTOR OF HEALTH
- 22 SERVICES REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TWO WEEKS TO
- 23 OCTOBER 11, 2011. AND ALSO ON THIS ITEM, THERE'S A REQUEST
- 24 FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD IT. ON PAGE 5, PUBLIC
- 25 HEARINGS, ITEMS 4 THROUGH 10. ON ITEM NO. 5, AS INDICATED ON



- 1 THE POSTED AGENDA, AT THE MEETING OF THE SEPTEMBER 13, 2011
- 2 THROUGH ITEM 37-B, THE BOARD INDICATED ITS INTENT TO CONTINUE
- 3 THIS ITEM WITHOUT DISCUSSION TO OCTOBER 4, 2011. AND ALSO ON
- 4 THIS ITEM, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO
- 5 HOLD IT. THE REMAINING ITEMS UNDER THE PUBLIC HEARING WE WILL
- 6 HOLD FOR THE PUBLIC HEARING. ON PAGE 9, ADMINISTRATIVE
- 7 MATTERS, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS NOS. 11 THROUGH 20, ON ITEM NO.
- 8 12, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS
- 9 ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 15, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE
- 10 PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 18, THIS INCLUDES THE
- 11 REVISION AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA AND ALSO
- 12 THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS
- 13 ITEM. 18. ON ITEM NO. 19, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF
- 14 THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THE ITEM. AND THE REMAINING ITEMS UNDER THE
- 15 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ARE BEFORE YOU.

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- 17 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: OKAY, MOTION BY SUPERVISOR KNABE,
- 18 SECONDED WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

- 20 CLERK SACHI HAMAI: ON PAGE 11, CONSENT CALENDAR, ITEMS 21
- 21 THROUGH 24. ON ITEM NO. 21, AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL
- 22 AGENDA, THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE
- 23 CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO OCTOBER 4, 2011. 21. AND ON THIS ITEM,
- 24 THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD IT. ON
- 25 ITEM NO. 22, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO



- 1 HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 23, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS
- 2 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TWO WEEKS TO OCTOBER 11,
- 3 2011. AND ON THIS ITEM, THERE'S ALSO A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER
- 4 OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THE ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 24, THERE'S A
- 5 REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON PAGE
- 6 12, DISCUSSION ITEM, ITEM NO. 25, SUPERVISOR MOLINA REQUESTS
- 7 THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO OCTOBER 4, 2011.

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- 9 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: MOTION BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA. SECONDED
- 10 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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- 12 CLERK SACHI HAMAI: AND ON PAGE 16, NOTICES OF CLOSED SESSION,
- 13 ON ITEM CS-1, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO
- 14 HOLD THIS ITEM. AND THAT COMPLETES THE READING OF THE AGENDA.
- 15 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SPECIAL ITEMS BEGIN WITH SUPERVISORIAL
- 16 DISTRICT NO. 1.

- 18 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: SUPERVISOR MOLINA, ANY ADJOURNMENTS?
- 19 OKAY. WE'LL DO THE PRESENTATIONS FIRST. SUPERVISOR MARK
- 20 RIDLEY-THOMAS, ANY PRESENTATIONS? NONE? SUPERVISOR
- 21 YAROSLAVSKY? SUPERVISOR KNABE? OKAY. ONCE AGAIN, THE COUNTY IS
- 22 GOING TO PROCLAIM THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER AS HYDROCEPHALUS
- 23 AWARENESS MONTH THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY. IT DOESN'T SEEM LIKE
- 24 IT'S BEEN 12 MONTHS SINCE YOU WERE HERE LAST, TO BE TRUTHFUL.
- 25 AND THIS IS A SERIOUS NEUROLOGICAL CONDITION CHARACTERIZED BY



- 1 AN ABNORMAL BUILDUP OF FLUIDS IN THE VENTRICLES OF THE BRAIN.
- 2 THERE'S NO KNOWN CURE FOR THIS WHICH AFFECTS 1 MILLION
- 3 AMERICANS, 1 OR 2 IN EVERY 1,000 BABIES WHO ARE BORN AND OVER
- 4 375,000 OLDER AMERICANS HAVE HYDROCEPHALUS, WHICH OFTEN GOES
- 5 UNDETECTED OR IS MISDIAGNOSED AS DEMENTIA, ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE
- 6 OR PARKINSON'S DISEASE. THERE ARE FEWER THAN 10 CENTERS IN THE
- 7 UNITED STATES SPECIALIZING IN THIS TREATMENT OF ADULTS WITH
- 8 NORMAL PRESSURE, HYDROCEPHALUS. AND EACH YEAR THE PEOPLE IN
- 9 THE UNITED STATES SPEND IN EXCESS OF \$1 BILLION TO TREAT THIS.
- 10 WITH APPROPRIATE DIAGNOSIS AND TREATMENT, PEOPLE WITH
- 11 HYDROCEPHALUS ARE ABLE TO LIVE FULL AND PRODUCTIVE LIVES. SO,
- 12 SHARON RAGHAVACHERY AND HER FIVE YEAR OLD SON, JOSH, WHO WAS
- 13 DIAGNOSED WITH THIS AT EIGHT MONTHS OF AGE, IS HERE WITH THEIR
- 14 FAMILY AND THEY'VE HAD GREAT COURAGE IN BRINGING THE AWARENESS
- 15 TO THE PUBLIC. AND AS I SAID, EACH SEPTEMBER THEY ARE HERE TO
- 16 RECOGNIZE THIS AS THIS MONTH SO THAT PEOPLE THROUGHOUT THE
- 17 COUNTY WILL BE ABLE TO KNOW HOW WE CAN WORK TOGETHER TO CURE
- 18 THIS DISEASE. SO, SHARON, AND YOUR HAD HUSBAND AND LITTLE JOSH
- 19 AND YOUR DAUGHTER. OH, THIS IS THE DOCTOR. OKAY. HE CAN SAY A
- 20 FEW WORDS FROM CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL, OKAY.

- 22 SHARON RAGHAVACHARY: THANK YOU, AGAIN, MAYOR ANTONOVICH FOR
- 23 ALLOWING US TO COME ONCE AGAIN TO RAISE AWARENESS FOR
- 24 HYDROCEPHALUS. JOSH IS SEVEN YEARS OLD. HE'S HAD HYDROCEPHALUS
- 25 SINCE HE WAS ABOUT SIX MONTHS OF AGE. HE'S HAD TWO SURGERIES



- 1 TO PLACE A SHUNT IN HIS BRAIN TO DRAIN THE EXCESS FLUID. HE'S
- 2 DOING GREAT. WE'RE VERY HAPPY WITH THAT. BUT WE REALLY NEED TO
- 3 HAVE MORE RESEARCH DOLLARS FOR HYDROCEPHALUS. THERE JUST ISN'T
- 4 A LOT OF MONEY TOWARDS THIS DISEASE. JOSH'S NEUROSURGEON IS
- 5 HERE, DR. MARK KRIEGER, HE'S THE CHIEF OF STAFF AT CHILDREN'S
- 6 HOSPITAL L.A. AND I'D LIKE HIM TO SAY SOMETHING.

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- 8 DR. MARK KRIEGER: THANK YOU. IT REALLY IS A PLEASURE TO BE
- 9 HERE TODAY. HYDROCEPHALUS, AS WAS PREVIOUSLY SAID, AFFLICTS
- 10 THOUSANDS OF CHILDREN IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. AT CHILDREN'S
- 11 HOSPITAL IN LOS ANGELES, WE TREATED HUNDREDS OF CHILDREN EACH
- 12 YEAR WITH THIS CONDITION. WITH EARLY RECOGNITION, WE'RE ABLE
- 13 TO HELP THESE CHILDREN LIVE FULL AND PRODUCTIVE LIVES AS JOSH
- 14 IS DOING, WHICH IS REALLY HEART WARMING TO SEE. THE TWO ISSUES
- 15 THAT WE FACE ARE, ONE, OFTENTIMES IT'S NOT RECOGNIZED EARLY
- 16 ENOUGH AND CHILDREN SUFFER SIGNIFICANT COGNITIVE AND HEALTH
- 17 EFFECTS BEFORE THEY'RE ABLE TO BE TREATED. AND, TWO, AS SHARON
- 18 MENTIONED, RESEARCH DOLLARS ARE SCANT THESE DAYS. AND WE
- 19 REALLY NEED TO ADVANCE THE FIELD SO WE CAN HELP THESE KIDS
- 20 LIVE TO THEIR FULLEST POTENTIAL AND LIVE HEALTHY, HAPPY AND
- 21 NORMAL LIVES. SO WE APPRECIATE THE SUPPORT OF EVERYBODY IN THE
- 22 ROOM. AND WE ENCOURAGE HYDROCEPHALUS AWARENESS. THANK YOU VERY
- 23 MUCH. [APPLAUSE.]



- 1 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: IN RECOGNITION OF 37 YEARS OF SERVICE
- 2 TO OUR PUBLIC DEFENDERS OFFICE MARVIN ISAACSON, WHO BEGAN HIS
- 3 SERVICE IN 1974 AS A DEPUTY PUBLIC DEFENDER. HE ROSE THROUGH
- 4 THE RANKS AS AN ACCOMPLISHED TRIAL ATTORNEY IN COMPTON,
- 5 TORRANCE AND LONG BEACH, BECAME ACTING HEAD DEPUTY AT THE
- 6 CHILD CHILD SUPPORT DIVISION IN 2002, APPOINTED AS HEAD DEPUTY
- 7 WHILE LEADING THE MENTAL HEALTH COURT OPERATION IN 2004, AND
- 8 HEAD DEPUTY OF THE NORWALK BRANCH IN 2005 IN APRIL. A LIFETIME
- 9 RESIDENT OF OUR COUNTY, HE PLANS TO ENJOY HIS RETIREMENT WITH
- 10 HIS WIFE, CHRISTINA. AND WE WANT TO CONGRATULATE YOU ON A JOB
- 11 WELL DONE AND THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE. WHERE DID THE TIME
- 12 GO? [APPLAUSE.] RON BROWN, CHIEF PUBLIC DEFENDER, WILL SAY A
- 13 COUPLE WORDS AND THEN WE'LL HAVE MARV SAY A COUPLE WORDS.

15 MARVIN ISAACSON: OH, GREAT.

17 RON BROWN: THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR. WE'VE ALL BEEN VERY, VERY

- 18 LUCKY TO HAVE WORKED FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. AND WHAT
- 19 MARV HAS DONE, HE'S EARNED THE RESPECT, THE ADMIRATION OF NOT
- 20 ONLY HIS COLLEAGUES BUT JUDGES, CLIENTS. HE LOVES THE COUNTY.
- 21 HE KNOWS HE HAS THE MOST WONDERFUL JOB IN THE WORLD. AND I DO,
- 22 AS WELL. I WANT TO THANK THE MAYOR. I WANT TO THANK FOR ANNA
- 23 HEMBEGIAN FOR HELPING TO ARRANGE THIS AND WE ARE GOING TO
- 24 SORELY MISS MARVIN ISAACSON. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

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- 1 MARVIN ISAACSON: I WOULD JUST LIKE TO THANK THE COUNTY OF LOS
- 2 ANGELES AND THE PUBLIC DEFENDERS' OFFICE SPECIFICALLY FOR
- 3 ALLOWING ME TO HAVE SUCH A WONDERFUL JOB FOR THE LAST 37
- 4 YEARS. I FEEL THERE'S NO GREATER CALLING THAN REPRESENTING THE
- 5 PEOPLE WHO LEAST CAN AFFORD ATTORNEYS IN THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE
- 6 SYSTEM. IT'S BEEN MY PLEASURE WORKING FOR THE COUNTY. AND I
- 7 HOPE EVERYBODY COULD SUPPORT THAT ORGANIZATION. [APPLAUSE.]

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- 9 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THIS WEEK SEPTEMBER 18 WAS EMPLOY THE
- 10 OLDER WORKER WEEK IN OUR COUNTY. AND AS THE POPULATION AGES,
- 11 OLDER AMERICANS PLAY AN INCREASINGLY IMPORTANT ROLE IN OUR
- 12 ECONOMY. EMPLOYING OLDER WORKERS WEEK RECOGNIZES THE VITAL
- 13 ROLE OF THOSE INDIVIDUALS IN THE WORKPLACE. EMPLOY WORKERS
- 14 WEEK AIMS TO INCREASE AWARENESS OF THIS SEGMENT AND DEVELOP
- 15 INNOVATIONS AND STRATEGIES TO ENJOY THIS VALUABLE DEMOGRAPHIC
- 16 IN OUR WORKPLACE. AND CYNTHIA BANKS, WHO IS OUR DIRECTOR OF
- 17 COMMUNITY AND SENIOR SERVICES WILL RECEIVE THIS PLAQUE OR
- 18 PROCLAMATION ON BEHALF OF THE COUNTY. CYNTHIA DOES A SUPERB
- 19 JOB FOR OUR PEOPLE. [APPLAUSE.]

- 21 CYNTHIA BANKS: THANK YOU, MAYOR, AND SUPERVISORS FOR HONORING
- 22 OLDER WORKERS' WEEK. I, ON BEHALF OF THE DEPARTMENT OF
- 23 COMMUNITY AND SENIOR SERVICES WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE THAT OLDER
- 24 WORKERS BRING SIGNIFICANCE TO THE WORKPLACE. THE AGE RANGE FOR
- 25 OLDER WORKERS IS 50 TO 70 YEARS OLD. MANY OF US FALL INTO THAT



- 1 CATEGORY. A.A.R.P. INDICATES THAT 66 PERCENT OF THOSE IN THAT
- 2 AGE CATEGORY WANT TO CONTINUE TO WORK. BECAUSE WE KNOW BY
- 3 WORKING, WE FIRM UP OUR MENTAL CAPACITY AS WELL AS OUR
- 4 PHYSICAL CAPACITY. AND THAT BRINGS BENEFIT TO OUR COMMUNITY
- 5 AND OUR COUNTY AS A WHOLE. SO ON BEHALF OF ALL OF US OLDER
- 6 WORKERS, THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

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- 8 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: BATTING CLEAN UP IS LITTLE MUFFIN WHO
- 9 IS A TERRIER MIX. SHE'S A LITTLE GIRL. SHE'S SIX YEARS OLD.
- 10 YOU CAN CALL 562-728-4644. AND LITTLE MUFFIN IS LOOKING FOR A
- 11 HOME. SOMEBODY WOULD LIKE TO ADOPT HER? HI MUFFIN.

- 13 SUP. MOLINA: MR. CHAIRMAN, I'D LIKE TO ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN
- 14 THE MEMORY OF FORMER POMONA CITY COUNCILMAN WILLIE WHITE.
- 15 WILLIE WAS A DEVOTED PUBLIC SERVANT WITH MANY GOOD WORKS. LEFT
- 16 A POSITIVE LEGACY IN POMONA AND BEYOND. IN ADDITION TO HIS
- 17 TENURE ON THE POMONA CITY COUNCIL, HE SERVED ON THE BOARD OF
- 18 THE ALAMEDA CORRIDOR EAST CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY. HE WAS A
- 19 STEADFAST YOUTH ADVOCATE AND HE ESTABLISHED THE WILLY WHITE
- 20 PARK FOCUS GROUP WHICH SUCCESSFULLY ADDRESSES QUALITY OF LIFE
- 21 ISSUES IN THE POMONA COMMUNITY. WE WANT TO EXTEND OUR
- 22 CONDOLENCES TO HIS FAMILY AND HIS FRIENDS AND OF COURSE ALL OF
- 23 HIS FORMER COLLEAGUES. I'D ALSO LIKE TO ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN
- 24 THE MEMORY OF JESUS NUNEZ, THE BELOVED FATHER OF MY FORMER
- 25 STAFF MEMBER, RALPH NUNEZ. JESUS WAS A DEVOTED AND LOVING



- 1 FAMILY MAN WHO WILL BE DEEPLY MISSED. AND WE WANT TO EXTEND
- 2 OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS TO THE ENTIRE NUNEZ FAMILY.

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- 4 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.
- 5 SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS, ANY ADJOURNMENT MOTIONS?
- 6 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, ANY ADJOURNMENT MOTIONS?

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- 8 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: YES, MR. MAYOR. I HAVE ONE ADJOURNING
- 9 MOTION. I'D ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF JIM HERRICK,
- 10 A LONGTIME RESIDENT OF OUR DISTRICT. LIVED IN THE SAN FERNANDO
- 11 VALLEY WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 66. HE WAS THE FOUNDER
- 12 AND OPERATOR OF A SWIM SCHOOL WHICH TAUGHT THOUSANDS OF VALLEY
- 13 CHILDREN TO SWIM OVER THE LAST 40 YEARS. HIS STUDENTS RANGED
- 14 FROM INFANTS TO ADULTS. AND HIS MISSION WAS NOT JUST WATER
- 15 SAFETY BUT TEACHING PEOPLE TO LOVE THE WATER. FROM THE
- 16 CHILDREN AND GRANDCHILDREN OF STARS, CELEBRITIES TO COUNTLESS
- 17 ORDINARY RESIDENTS OF THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY, HE SAVED
- 18 NUMEROUS LIVES AND HELPED INSTILL A LIFELONG ENJOYMENT OF
- 19 RECREATIONAL SWIMMING. JIM IS SURVIVED BY HIS SON, DILLON, AND
- 20 OTHER FAMILY MEMBERS AND MANY FRIENDS AND COLLEAGUES AND
- 21 FORMER STUDENTS. THAT'S IT.

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- 23 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: SECOND WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.
- 24 SUPERVISOR KNABE?



- 1 SUP. KNABE: THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. FIRST
- 2 OF ALL, I'D LIKE TO ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF DALE HERBST, FATHER
- 3 OF A LONGTIME FRIEND DAVID HERBST, WHO PASSED AWAY RECENTLY AT
- 4 THE AGE OF 72 AND GRADUATED FROM BENEDICTINE UNIVERSITY WITH A
- 5 MAJOR IN PHYSICS. HE WORKED FOR THE ARGONNE NATIONAL
- 6 LABORATORY, ONE OF THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT'S OLDEST AND LARGEST
- 7 NATIONAL LABS FOR SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING RESEARCH. HE ALSO
- 8 WORKED AT THE DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY, HANFORD NUCLEAR SITE IN
- 9 RICHLAND, WASHINGTON, BEFORE RETIRING FROM SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
- 10 EDISON, WHERE HE SERVED AS MANAGER OF SITE QUALITY ASSURANCE
- 11 AT THE SAN ONOFRE NUCLEAR GENERATING STATION. HE WILL BE
- 12 REMEMBERED AS A LOVING HUSBAND, WONDERFUL FATHER, BELOVED
- 13 GRANDFATHER. DALE WAS VERY FAIR AND KIND TO EVERYONE HE MET
- 14 AND WAS A DEVOTED CATHOLIC. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE OF 46
- 15 YEARS, JEAN, HIS TWO SONS, DAVID AND MICHAEL, HIS SISTER, LYNN
- 16 AND HIS 99 YEAR OLD AUNT LORETTA AND HIS JOY, HIS BELOVED
- 17 GRANDCHILDREN, CATHERINE, MARGARET, ELIZABETH AND SARAH. HE
- 18 WILL BE MISSED BY ALL. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF CHRIS
- 19 JOHNSON. CHRIS IS THE SON OF A LONG, LONGTIME FRIEND OF MINE,
- 20 BOB JOHNSON. AND CHRIS IS SURVIVED BY HIS FATHER, BOB. ALSO WE
- 21 ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF KENNETH REINER, WHO PASSED AWAY AT HIS
- 22 HOME RECENTLY AT THE AGE OF 95. INCREDIBLE INDIVIDUAL. HE WAS
- 23 AN INVENTOR, AN ENGINEER, ENTREPRENEUR, PHILANTHROPIST. HE
- 24 LOVED THE MUSICAL ARTS AND WAS INVOLVED WITH MANY
- 25 ORGANIZATIONS IN THE LONG BEACH COMMUNITY WITH HIS WIFE,



- 1 DOTTIE. HE WILL BE MISSED BY ALL OF US. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS
- 2 WIFE, DOTTIE; TWO DAUGHTERS, BONNIE AND GAIL; FOUR
- 3 GRANDCHILDREN AND MANY OTHER FAMILY MEMBERS. AND FINALLY THAT
- 4 WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF ISABEL SCHINDLER, WHO PASSED AWAY AT
- 5 THE AGE OF 82. SHE WORKED FOR MANY YEARS AT THE BELLFLOWER
- 6 CHRISTIAN RETIREMENT CENTER AND EVENTUALLY BECAME THEIR
- 7 ADMINISTRATOR. SHE WAS VERY ACTIVE IN HER CHURCH, RED HATS
- 8 GROUP AND THE Y.M.C.A. SHE HAD A ZEST FOR LIFE AND LOVED
- 9 PEOPLE. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND OF 50 YEARS, ALBERT;
- 10 TWO DAUGHTERS, JULIE AND DONNA; AND TWO GRANDDAUGHTERS,
- 11 KRISTIN AND CARRIE. MR. MAYOR, THOSE ARE MY ADJOURNMENTS.

- 13 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: SECOND, WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.
- 14 I WOULD LIKE TO ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF JONN FLATH, WHO PASSED
- 15 AWAY UNEXPECTEDLY. JOHN WAS A MEMBER OF MY CHURCH, OUR SAVIOR
- 16 LUTHERAN CHURCH IN ARCADIA. HE WAS A HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT. HE
- 17 WAS A YOUNG CADET WITH THE AIR FORCE R.O.T.C., WHEN HE
- 18 COLLAPSED AND PASSED AWAY WITH A HEART ATTACK. HIS DREAM WAS
- 19 TO GO TO THE AIR FORCE ACADEMY. AND HE HAD BEEN PREPARING TO
- 20 GO TO THE AIR FORCE ACADEMY. AND HE LEAVES HIS PARENTS. HIS
- 21 FATHER, MARK SERVED AS A MEMBER OF OUR TOWN COUNCIL IN AND THE
- 22 ANTELOPE VALLEY. AND HE LEAVES A SISTER AND HIS MOM. ELIJAH
- 23 JOSEPH CANTY, ONE OF THE OLDEST MEMBERS PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE
- 24 OF 100. HE IS A 62-YEAR RESIDENT OF OUR COUNTY, A PILLAR OF
- 25 THE VAL VERDE COMMUNITY IN THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY. A



- 1 FOUNDING MEMORY OF THE SAMUEL DIXON FAMILY HEALTH CENTERS, THE
- 2 CASTAIC TOWN COUNCIL, AND PROVIDED 10 YEARS OF SERVICE AS
- 3 CHAIRMAN AND COUNCIL MEMBER OF THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY
- 4 PLANNING ADVISORY COUNCIL. HE SERVED IN THE AMERICAN LEGION,
- 5 THE SANTA CLARITA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, THE SENIOR CITIZENS
- 6 CLUB, THE ELKS 2379 OF SANTA CLARITA. AND THE SANTA CLARITA
- 7 REGION ADULT AND VOCATIONAL EDUCATION COUNCIL. HE WAS THE
- 8 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES AWARD RECIPIENT OF ITS VOLUNTEER OF THE
- 9 YEAR. AND CASTAIC CHAMBER OF COMMERCE LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT.
- 10 ELIJAH IS SURVIVED BY HIS NIECE, VIVIAN HICKS. ELIJAH WAS
- 11 REALLY A PILLAR OF VAL VERDE AND WORKING WITH THE COMMUNITY
- 12 AND A STRONG ASSET IN OUR OFFICE IN HELPING TO ENSURE THAT VAL
- 13 VERDE AND CASTAIC AND THAT PART OF THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY
- 14 HAD GOOD REPRESENTATION. A GOOD MAN. WILLIAM HOBBS PASSED AWAY
- 15 AT THE AGE OF 88. HE WAS A PEARL HARBOR VETERAN. AND HE SPENT
- 16 HIS LIFE WORK IN AVIATION. DOLORES HEELENE KINDRICK PASSED
- 17 AWAY AT THE AGE OF 80 FROM THE WEST COVINA AREA. FREDERICK
- 18 MACARTHUR, WORLD WAR II VETERAN IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY AIR
- 19 CORPS AND FATHER OF MY STAFF ASSISTANT, ELIZABETH SINGER IN
- 20 CHATSWORTH. TAMMY ABBOTT. SHE WAS A JOURNALIST WITH "THE
- 21 GLENDALE NEWS-PRESS" AND "THE BURBANK LEADER." PASSED AWAY AT
- 22 THE AGE OF 54. GLORIA PATRICIA BECKMAN, SHE WORKED AS AN
- 23 OCCUPATIONAL THERAPIST AND AN R.N. FOR MANY YEARS, AN ACTIVE
- 24 BOARD MEMBER OF THE ARNOLD AND MABEL BECKMAN FOUNDATION,
- 25 LIFETIME TRUSTEE OF THE CALIFORNIA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY.



- 1 ALSO MEMBER OF THE U.C.I. NURSING PROGRAM LEADERSHIP COUNCIL.
- 2 HAS SERVED AT THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA LOS ANGELES SCHOOL
- 3 OF NURSING, ADVISORY BOARD, SURVIVED BY HER BROTHER AND
- 4 NEPHEWS. SISTER MARTHA LOUISE DISCHNER, PASSED AWAY SEPTEMBER
- 5 18. MEMBER OF THE SISTERS OF ST. JOSEPH'S OF CARONDELET, THE
- 6 ORDER THAT MY AUNT IS A MEMBER OF, FOR THE PAST 70 YEARS. AND
- 7 SHE TAUGHT IN VARIOUS PAROCHIAL SCHOOLS THROUGHOUT THE STATE
- 8 OF CALIFORNIA. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER SISTER, FRANCES. ALAN
- 9 EDLER, RETIRED DEPUTY SHERIFF WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF
- 10 62. ERICK ELVERUM, RETIRED SERGEANT, PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF
- 11 62 AT THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. CHARLES ASENDORF, RETIRED
- 12 SERGEANT WITH THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT,
- 13 PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 77. JOSEPH SEITZ, RETIRED DEPUTY
- 14 WITH THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, PASSED AWAY
- 15 AT THE AGE OF 93. JACK ROHRER, PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 84,
- 16 RETIRED SERGEANT WITH THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S
- 17 DEPARTMENT. ANDREW JOSEPH OSTERMEIER, PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE
- 18 OF 89. HE WORKED WITH THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT DEPUTY IN
- 19 NORWALK STATION, DETECTIVE BUREAU. AND KENNETH JONES, PASSED
- 20 AWAY AT THE AGE OF 85, RETIRED DEPUTY IV WITH THE LOS ANGELES
- 21 COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA.
- 22 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. OKAY. BEGIN THE PUBLIC HEARING.
- 23 THOSE WHO WILL BE TESTIFYING IN THE PUBLIC HEARING ARE GOING
- 24 TO BE SWORN IN BY OUR EXECUTIVE OFFICER.



- 1 CLERK SACHI HAMAI: I'D RATHER DO IT ALL AT ONE TIME. OKAY, ALL
- 2 THOSE WHO PLAN TO TESTIFY BEFORE THE BOARD TODAY ON ITEMS 1
- 3 THROUGH 10, PLEASE STAND AND RAISE YOUR RIGHT HAND TO BE SWORN
- 4 IN. AND I REALIZE THAT THERE ARE PEOPLE IN THE OVERFLOW ROOMS,
- 5 IF YOU COULD ALSO STAND TO BE SWORN IN. PLEASE STAND IF YOU
- 6 ARE GOING TO TESTIFY TODAY. IN THE TESTIMONY YOU MAY GIVE
- 7 BEFORE THIS BOARD, DO YOU SOLEMNLY AFFIRM TO TELL THE TRUTH,
- 8 THE WHOLE TRUTH AND NOTHING BUT THE TRUTH SO HELP YOU GOD?
- 9 THANK YOU. YOU MAY BE SEATED. WE ARE GOING TO START WITH ITEM
- 10 NO. 4. THIS IS THE HEARING ON APPROPRIATION OF FRONT LINE LAW
- 11 ENFORCEMENT SERVICE FUNDS ALLOCATED BY THE LEGISLATURE IN
- 12 SUPPORT OF CITIZENS OPTION FOR PUBLIC SAFETY PROGRAMS FOR
- 13 CRIMINAL PROSECUTION, JAIL OPERATION AND FRONT LINE LAW
- 14 ENFORCEMENT SERVICES IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY UNINCORPORATED
- 15 AREA. THERE IS NO DEPARTMENT STATEMENT, NO CORRESPONDENCE WAS
- 16 RECEIVED. MR. MAYOR, THIS ITEM IS BEFORE YOU.

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- 18 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: OKAY. MOTION BY -- ANYBODY TO TESTIFY?
- 19 IF NOT, MOTION BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY TO CLOSE THE HEARING,
- 20 APPROVE THE ITEM. SECONDED WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

- 22 CLERK SACHI HAMAI: ON ITEM NO. 5, ALTHOUGH AT THE MEETING OF
- 23 SEPTEMBER 13 THROUGH ITEM 37-B, THE BOARD INDICATED ITS INTENT
- 24 TO CONTINUE THIS ITEM WITHOUT DISCUSSION TO OCTOBER 4, THERE
- 25 ARE TWO INDIVIDUAL SPEAKERS ON THIS ITEM. AND THIS IS THE



- 1 HEARING ON DE NOVO PROJECT NO. 00-196-5, ENVIRONMENTAL
- 2 ASSESSMENT AND ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT FOR THE FOLLOWING
- 3 LAND USE AND ZONING MATTERS RELATING TO PROPERTY LOCATED
- 4 WITHIN THE NEWHALL RANCH SPECIFIC PLAN NORTH OF THE SANTA
- 5 CLARA RIVER, SOUTH OF HIGHWAY 126, EAST OF VENTURA COUNTY
- 6 BOUNDARY AND WEST OF INTERSTATE 5 FREEWAY IN THE NEWHALL ZONE
- 7 DISTRICT. AGAIN, THERE IS NO DEPARTMENT STATEMENT. AND THE
- 8 INTENT IS TO CONTINUE THIS ITEM WITHOUT DISCUSSION TO OCTOBER
- 9 4, 2011. THERE ARE TWO SPEAKERS ON IT.

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- 11 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: AND WHILE THE SPEAKERS ARE COMING UP,
- 12 A QUESTION HAD BEEN RAISED. I'LL ASK COUNTY COUNSEL THAT BY
- 13 CONTINUING IT, THIS DOES NOT VIOLATE THE 30-DAY NOTICE THAT
- 14 HAD PREVIOUSLY BEEN GIVEN ON THIS YOU?

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- 16 RICHARD WEISS, COUNSEL: MR. MAYOR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, THAT
- 17 IS CORRECT. IT'S BEEN PROPERLY NOTICED FOR TODAY. YOUR BOARD
- 18 IS FREE TO CONTINUE THE MATTER TODAY FROM A DATE THAT YOU
- 19 CHOOSE.

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21 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: OKAY. MISS PLAMBECK?

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- 23 CLERK SACHI HAMAI: MR. MAYOR, THERE WILL BE A ONE MINUTE TIME
- 24 LIMIT, CORRECT?



1 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: YEAH.

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- 3 LYNNE PLAMBECK: HI MY NAME IS LYNNE PLAMBECK, AND I'M HERE ON
- 4 BEHALF OF THE SIERRA CLUB, WHO NOTICED 60,000 MEMBERS IN THE
- 5 ANGELES CHAPTER THAT THE HEARING WOULD BE TODAY. AND OUR OWN
- 6 GROUP, SANTA CLARITA ORGANIZATION FOR PLANNING AND THE
- 7 ENVIRONMENT THAT NOTICED 2,000 OF OUR MEMBERS IN THE SANTA
- 8 CLARITA VALLEY. I'M HERE TO STRONGLY OBJECT THAT WHILE WE
- 9 APPRECIATE THE BOARD'S RECOGNITION THAT THIS IMPORTANT HEARING
- 10 SHOULD NOT BE HELD ON THE SAME DAY AS THE CONTROVERSIAL MATTER
- 11 OF REDISTRICTING IS CONSIDERED, AND WE APPRECIATE THAT. WE HAD
- 12 ALREADY NOTIFIED OUR MEMBERS. AND THIS REALLY PRECLUDES PUBLIC
- 13 PARTICIPATION. YOU KNEW THAT THIS HEARING FOR THE
- 14 REDISTRICTING WAS GOING TO OCCUR ON THIS DAY. SO TO SET A
- 15 HEARING ON A PROJECT THAT WILL AFFECT THE LAST FREE- FLOWING
- 16 RIVER IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY, THAT'S EXTREMELY IMPORTANT TO ALL
- 17 OF US IN SANTA CLARITA FOR THE SAME DAY REALLY OBSTRUCTS THE
- 18 PUBLIC'S ABILITY TO PARTICIPATE. AND WHILE YOU SAID PEOPLE
- 19 COULD SPEAK IF THEY CAME DOWN HERE, IF THEY HAD COME AND TRIED
- 20 TO COME INTO THIS HEARING ROOM, THEY WOULDN'T HAVE BEEN ABLE
- 21 TO GET IN. I COULDN'T GET IN. THEY WEREN'T GOING TO LET ME IN
- 22 UNTIL SOMEONE CAME AND LOOKED FOR ME.

- 24 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: I KNOW, LYNNE. I UNDERSTAND. BUT THIS
- 25 IS WHY WE'VE CONTINUED IT SO YOU'LL BE ABLE TO PARTICIPATE.



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2 LYNNE PLAMBECK: WELL, HOW CAN WE PARTICIPATE? WE CAN'T GET THE

3 MESSAGE OUT TO PEOPLE IN ONE WEEK. I THINK THAT'S WHY I'M HERE

4 TO REQUEST THAT YOU PROPERLY RENOTICE IT. AND MAYBE WHAT YOU

5 DID WAS IN THE LETTER OF THE LAW; IT WAS NOT WITHIN THE INTENT

6 OF THE LAW. AND WE ARE JUST ASKING THAT YOU CONTINUE THIS

7 HEARING FROM OCTOBER 4 OR NOTIFY EVERYONE THAT YOU'LL HEAR

8 THEM ON OCTOBER 4 BUT YOU'LL ALSO HEAR THEM A MONTH LATER, AS

9 WELL. SO THAT PEOPLE HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO BE AWARE THAT

10 THIS IS HAPPENING AND COME DOWN AND SPEAK TO YOU. ANYONE THAT

11 CAME TODAY WOULD HAVE BEEN -- EVEN THOUGH YOU SAID, YOUR

12 OFFICE SAID WE WOULD BE ABLE TO SPEAK, AND I APPRECIATE YOU

13 ALLOWING ME TO SPEAK, NO ONE COULD HAVE EVEN GOTTEN IN THE

14 DOOR.

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16 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: I UNDERSTAND. THANK YOU. MR. PREVEN?

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18 ERIC PREVEN: YEAH. I MEAN, I COMPLETELY AGREE. THIS IS AN

19 ISSUE REGARDING A DEVELOPMENT IN THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY FOR

20 SOMETHING CALLED THE LANDMARK VILLAGE, WHICH I WENT THROUGH

21 THE ENVIRONMENTAL REPORTS ON, WHICH ARE VOLUMINOUS TO SAY THE

22 LEAST. WE'RE TALKING ABOUT LITERALLY THOUSANDS OF PAGES OF

23 STUFF. AND WE COME DOWN HERE READY TO TALK ABOUT IT. AND NOW

24 THERE'S ONE MINUTE. AND MANY OF OUR PEOPLE ARE GOING TO BE

25 PUSHED OUT OF THE PROCESS. THIS IS ALSO VERY CONTROVERSIAL, AS



- 1 YOU ALL KNOW, ISSUE. SHE MENTIONED THE RIVER. THERE'S ALSO MR.
- 2 YAROSLAVSKY, I KNOW YOU'VE BEEN CONCERNED ABOUT THE OAK TREES.
- 3 ORDINARILY, THERE ARE 70 PARTICULARLY AGED OAK TREES THAT WILL
- 4 BE FELLED FOR THIS PARTICULAR PROJECT. THIS PROJECT SEEMS TO
- 5 THE RESIDENTS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY UNNECESSARY TO BEGIN WITH
- 6 BECAUSE WE'RE TALKING ABOUT A REGION WHICH HAS LOADS OF
- 7 UNOCCUPIED HOUSING AND MANY, MANY PERMITS THAT HAVE PREVIOUSLY
- 8 BEEN ISSUED THAT HAVE NOT YET BEEN ACTUALIZED. SO THIS IS OF
- 9 GREAT CONCERN. AND WE WOULD AGREE THAT IT SHOULD BE DELAYED
- 10 AND PROPERLY NOTICED.

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- 12 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. WE APPRECIATE YOUR CONCERN
- 13 MR. PREVEN.

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15 ERIC PREVEN: SHOULD I SPEAK ON MY OTHER OR NOT NOW?

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17 CLERK SACHI HAMAI: CONTINUE THIS ITEM TO OCTOBER 4, 2011?

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- 19 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: SO MOVED, SECONDED BY MOLINA. WITHOUT
- 20 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

- 22 CLERK SACHI HAMAI: OKAY. WE ARE NOW ON ITEM NO. 6. THIS IS THE
- 23 HEARING ON THE ANNEXATION OF THE APPROVED TENTATIVE
- 24 SUBDIVISION TERRITORIES TO COUNTY LIGHTING MAINTENANCE
- 25 DISTRICT 1687 AND COUNTY LIGHTING DISTRICT LLA-1 AND THE



- 1 LEVYING OF ASSESSMENTS WITHIN THE ANNEXED TERRITORIES. THERE
- 2 IS A DEPARTMENT STATEMENT AND NO CORRESPONDENCE WAS RECEIVED
- 3 ON THIS.

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- 5 ARNELL DOULAY: GOOD MORNING MY NAME IS ARNELL DOULAY, AND I AM
- 6 A SENIOR CIVIL ENGINEER FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS. I
- 7 AM FAMILIAR WITH THESE PROCEEDINGS FOR THE ANNEXATION TO THE
- 8 COUNTY LIGHTING THE COUNTY LIGHTING DISTRICT MAINTENANCE
- 9 DISTRICT 1687 AND THE COUNTY LIGHTING DISTRICT LLA-1
- 10 UNINCORPORATED ZONE. AND THE LEVYING AND COLLECTION OF
- 11 ASSESSMENTS FOR THE TENTATIVE SUBDIVISION AREAS IDENTIFIED IN
- 12 THE BOARD LETTER WHICH ARE LOCATED IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS
- 13 OF AVOCADO HEIGHTS, SOUTH WHITTIER, WEST CARSON, ROWLAND
- 14 HEIGHTS, ACTON AND CANYON COUNTRY. IN MY OPINION, THESE
- 15 SUBDIVISION AREAS WILL BE BENEFITED BY THE ANNEXATION AND THE
- 16 SERVICE TO BE PROVIDED AND THE PROPOSED ASSESSMENTS HAVE BEEN
- 17 SPREAD IN PROPORTION TO BENEFIT. WE ARE ALSO RECOMMENDING THAT
- 18 YOUR BOARD ACCEPT THE NEGOTIATED EXCHANGE OF PROPERTY TAX
- 19 REVENUES FOR THE NONEXEMPT TAXING AGENCIES.

- 21 CLERK SACHI HAMAI: MR. MAYOR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, IT WOULD
- 22 BE APPROPRIATE AT THIS TIME TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING,
- 23 DIRECT THE TABULATION OF BALLOTS AND TABLE THE ITEM UNTIL
- 24 LATER IN THE MEETING FOR TABULATION RESULTS AND ACTION BY YOUR
- 25 BOARD.



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- 2 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: OKAY. MOTION BY MOLINA, SECONDED TO
- 3 TABLE THIS ITEM FOR THOSE BALLOTS TO BE COUNTED AND BROUGHT
- 4 BACK ON THE TABLE, PLACED ON THE TABLE. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO
- 5 ORDERED.

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- 7 CLERK SACHI HAMAI: THANK YOU. WE ARE ON ITEM NO. 7. THIS IS
- 8 THE HEARING ON THE ANNEXATION OF 33 PARCELS TO THE
- 9 CONSOLIDATED SEWER MAINTENANCE DISTRICT PARCELS NO. 201-10 TO
- 10 233-10, THE ANNEXATIONS AND ASSESSMENTS ARE TO MEET
- 11 OPERATIONAL EXPENSES TO MAINTAIN SERVICES. THERE IS A
- 12 DEPARTMENT STATEMENT AND NO CORRESPONDENCE WAS RECEIVED.

- 14 NICHOLAS AGBOBU: MY NAME IS NICHOLAS AGBOBU, AND I'M A SENIOR
- 15 CIVIL ENGINEER FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS. I'M
- 16 FAMILIAR WITH THESE PROCEEDINGS FOR THE ANNEXATION TO THE
- 17 CONSOLIDATED SEWER MAINTENANCE DISTRICT AND LEVY OF SEWER
- 18 SERVICE CHARGES TO THE THREE PARCELS IDENTIFIED IN THE BOARD
- 19 LETTER WHICH ARE LOCATED IN UNINCORPORATED TERRITORIES OF
- 20 DIAMOND BAR, GLENDORA, HACIENDA HEIGHTS, INDUSTRY, LA PUENTE,
- 21 AND WALNUT AND IN THE CITIES OF GLENDORA, INDUSTRY, LA MIRADA,
- 22 PICO RIVERA, WALNUT AND WHITTIER. THE INVOLVED CITIES HAVE
- 23 GRANTED THEIR CONSENT AND JURISDICTION. IN MY OPINION, ALL 33
- 24 PARCELS WILL BE BENEFITED BY THE ANNEXATION TO THE DISTRICT



- 1 AND BY THE SERVICE TO BE PROVIDED. IN MY OPINION, THE SEWER
- 2 SERVICE CHARGES HAVE BEEN FAIRLY IMPOSED

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- 4 CLERK SACHI HAMAI: MR. MAYOR, THERE ARE NO SPEAKERS ON THIS
- 5 ITEM. THIS ITEM IS BEFORE YOU TO CLOSE THE HEARING.

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- 7 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: OKAY. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY
- 8 TO MOVE THE HEARING CLOSED AND APPROVE THE ITEM. SECONDED
- 9 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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- 11 CLERK SACHI HAMAI: ON ITEM NO. 8, THIS IS THE HEARING ON THE
- 12 VACATION OF NEBO DRIVE WEST OF SOHN DRIVE IN THE
- 13 UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITY OF MONTE NIDO, WHICH IS NO LONGER
- 14 NEEDED FOR PUBLIC USE. AGAIN, THERE IS A DEPARTMENT STATEMENT.
- 15 NO CORRESPONDENCE WAS RECEIVED AND THERE IS ONE SPEAKER.

- 17 JOSE SUAREZ: GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS JOSE SUAREZ, I'M AN
- 18 ASSOCIATE CIVIL ENGINEER FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS. I
- 19 HAVE INVESTIGATED THE PROPOSED VACATION OF THE COUNTY'S
- 20 EASEMENT INTEREST IN NEBO DRIVE WEST OF SOHN DRIVE IN THE
- 21 UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITY OF MONTE NIDO. IN MY OPINION, THE
- 22 INVOLVED NEBO DRIVE IS UNNECESSARY FOR PRESENT OR PROSPECTIVE
- 23 PUBLIC USE AND IS NOT USEFUL AS A NON-MOTORIZED TRANSPORTATION
- 24 FACILITY. AN EASEMENT FOR UTILITY PURPOSES WILL BE RESERVED IN
- 25 THE INVOLVED AREA IN FAVOR OF LAS VIRGINES MUNICIPAL WATER



- 1 DISTRICT, SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA GAS COMPANY, AND CHARTER
- 2 COMMUNICATIONS. WE ARE AWARE OF NO WRITTEN PROTESTS TO THE
- 3 PROPOSED VACATION.

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- 5 CLERK SACHI HAMAI: THERE'S ONE PUBLIC SPEAKER. MR. GARCIA?
- 6 DANIEL? YOU'RE ON.

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- 8 DANIEL GARCIA: GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. I'M VERY
- 9 HAPPY TO BE HERE IN FRONT OF EVERYBODY. I WANT TO SAY THAT
- 10 COULD WE USE THIS PUBLIC FACILITY, THIS IS PUBLIC TEMPTATION
- 11 THAT YOU ARE GOING TO HAVE ABOLISH OR OTHER THINGS LIKE THAT,
- 12 COULD WE USE IT FOR PUBLIC HOUSING FACILITIES INSTEAD? BECAUSE
- 13 WE ARE VERY SHORT IN PUBLIC HOUSING THAT ARE ACCESSIBLE AND
- 14 AFFORDABLE HOUSING. SO I JUST WANT TO MAKE A POINT THAT WE
- 15 NEED AFFORDABLE AND ACCESSIBLE HOUSING. AND THIS IS ONE WAY
- 16 THAT WE CAN GET IT. THANK YOU.

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- 18 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: LET ME ASK THE QUESTION. IS THIS
- 19 PROPERTY SUITABLE FOR HOUSING?

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- 21 JOSE SUAREZ: IT'S BASICALLY A 20-FOOT WIDE STRIP OF LAND. SO
- 22 IT WOULD BE VERY, VERY NARROW, VERY UNLIKELY TO TRY TO DEVELOP
- 23 IT.



- 1 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: OKAY. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY
- 2 TO CLOSE THE HEARING AND APPROVE THE ITEM. WITHOUT OBJECTION,
- 3 SO ORDERED.

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- 5 CLERK SACHI HAMAI: ON ITEM NO. 9, THIS IS THE HEARING ON THE
- 6 RESOLUTION APPROVING THE ISSUANCE OF ONE OR MORE SERIES OF
- 7 SINGLE-FAMILY MORTGAGE REVENUE BONDS BY THE AUTHORITY IN THE
- 8 AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$200 MILLION OVER A
- 9 THREE-YEAR PERIOD TO PROVIDE FINANCING FOR THE FIRST-TIME HOME
- 10 BUYERS PROGRAM. THERE IS NO DEPARTMENT STATEMENT. NO
- 11 CORRESPONDENCE WAS RECEIVED. THERE IS ONE SPEAKER ON THIS.

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13 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: OKAY. MR. PREVEN.

- 15 ERIC PREVEN: HELLO MY NAME IS ERIC PREVEN AND I AM THE COUNTY
- 16 RESIDENT FROM DISTRICT 3. AND I'LL MAKE THIS VERY BRIEF. WE OF
- 17 COURSE DO SUPPORT ASSISTANCE TO FIRST-TIME HOME BUYERS. BUT I
- 18 AM RATHER CONCERNED GIVEN THE LAST FEW YEARS THAT WE ARE NOT
- 19 GOING TO GET INVOLVED IN INSTRUMENTS THAT THEN FALL INTO
- 20 DEFAULT AND PUT THE COUNTY AT FURTHER RISK. AND I JUST WOULD
- 21 HOPE THAT THESE DEALS -- THIS DEAL WAS PUT TOGETHER BY AN
- 22 OUTFIT CALLED -- I BELIEVE THE FIRM IS CALLED KUTAK ROCK,
- 23 L.L.P, WHICH IS A GIANT LAW FIRM. AND WHENEVER I HEAR GIANT
- 24 LAW FIRM, MISS ORDIN, YOU KNOW I GET A LITTLE CONCERNED. SO
- 25 I'M HOPEFUL THAT WE TAKE THE APPROPRIATE STEPS TO ENSURE THAT



- 1 THESE INSTRUMENTS PROVIDE ASSISTANCE TO INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE
- 2 FIRST TIME HOME BUYERS AND NOTHING MORE. THANK YOU.

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- 4 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: I'LL ASK COUNTY COUNSEL. IS THERE ANY
- 5 LIABILITY TO THE COUNTY IN THIS?

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- 7 RICHARD WEISS, COUNSEL: ACTIVITY BONDS AND THEY ARE FULLY
- 8 FUNDED AND PROTECTED AND THE COUNTY IS PROTECTED.

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- 10 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: OKAY. SO MOTION BY SUPERVISOR KNABE TO
- 11 CLOSE THE HEARING AND APPROVE THE ITEM. SECOND WITHOUT
- 12 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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- 14 CLERK SACHI HAMAI: WE ARE ON ITEM NO. 10, THIS IS THE HEARING
- 15 ON ORDINANCE FOR ADOPTION GRANTING A PROPRIETARY INDUSTRIAL
- 16 GAS PIPELINE FRANCHISE TO PRAXAIR INCORPORATED TO TRANSPORT
- 17 AND TRANSMIT GASEOUS NITROGEN AND OTHER ATMOSPHERIC GASES FOR
- 18 A PERIOD OF 10 YEARS. AGAIN, THERE IS NO DEPARTMENT STATEMENT.
- 19 NO CORRESPONDENCE WAS SUBMITTED. THERE IS ONE PUBLIC SPEAKER.

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21 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: MR. PREVEN.

- 23 ERIC PREVEN: YES, MY NAME IS ERIC PREVEN. I AM THE COUNTY
- 24 RESIDENT FROM DISTRICT 3. AND I'LL BE VERY BRIEF ON THIS. AND
- 25 I KNOW MS. MOLINA HAS PREVIOUSLY SUPPORTED MY POSITION AGAINST



- 1 GIVING PRAXAIR THIS EXTREMELY SWEET DEAL. PRAXAIR, FOR THOSE
- 2 WHO DON'T KNOW, IS A MULTIBILLION DOLLAR ENERGY COMPANY AND WE
- 3 ARE PROVIDING THE OPPORTUNITY FOR THEM TO RUN GAS LINES FOR A
- 4 GRAND TOTAL OF, AND I HOPE EVERYBODY'S SEATED FOR THIS,
- 5 \$5,000. NOW, IT'S TRUE THAT THERE WILL BE A CALIBRATION TO
- 6 TICK THAT NUMBER UPWARDS. THIS IS A 10-YEAR PERIOD. I MEAN, WE
- 7 MUST, IN A TIME LIKE THIS WE'RE STRUGGLING SO HARD AND SOME OF
- 8 THE KEY AREAS WHERE THE COUNTY PROVIDES SERVICES, WE MUST TAG
- 9 THESE CORPORATIONS. WE SIMPLY MUST. AND I DO APPRECIATE YOUR
- 10 TAKING A LONG LOOK AT THIS. THANK YOU.

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- 12 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA
- 13 TO CLOSE THE HEARING, APPROVE THE ITEM. SECOND WITHOUT
- 14 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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- 16 CLERK SACHI HAMAI: THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR. WITH THE EXCEPTION OF
- 17 THE ITEM THAT IS BEING TABULATED RIGHT NOW, AND ALSO THE
- 18 REDISTRICTING ITEMS, THAT COMPLETES THE PUBLIC HEARING.

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- 20 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: OKAY. MR. PREVEN, DO YOU WANT TO DO --
- 21 AND MR. SACHS. 18, 21, 22, 23, 24, CS-1?

- 23 MR. PREVEN: YES, MY NAME IS ERIC PREVEN, I AM THE COUNTY
- 24 RESIDENT FROM DISTRICT 3. AND I'LL GO VERY QUICKLY. I DO WANT
- 25 TO RESPECT THE CROWD HERE TODAY. ITEM NO. 18 IS A MOTION BY



- 1 MAYOR ANTONOVICH TO REQUIRE OR TO TAG THE STATE LAW THAT IS
- 2 GOING TO MAKE THE N.F.L.'S LIFE A LITTLE EASIER, MAKE THOSE
- 3 FAVORABLE CONDITIONS ALSO APPLY TO LIBRARIES AND OTHER CIVIC
- 4 GROUPS. AND I DO SUPPORT THAT. AND MR. ANTONOVICH AND I ARE
- 5 WEARING GREEN IN SUPPORT OF THAT PARTICULAR MOTION TODAY. BUT
- 6 WHAT I DO NOT SUPPORT, THOUGH, IS GIVING FAVORABLE TREATMENT
- 7 TO THE LIBRARIES. AND AS WE KNOW A COUPLE WEEKS AGO I WAS CUT
- 8 SHORT ON ITEM 19 IN WHICH WE GAVE A GIANT, SEEMED LIKE A 600
- 9 OR SOMETHING THOUSAND DOLLAR OFFICE TO A DEVELOPER, A CONTRACT
- 10 FOR AN OFFICE TO SUPPORT A FEW LIBRARY ADMINISTRATORS. I
- 11 DIDN'T LIKE THAT. IT WAS ITEM 19 A COUPLE WEEKS AGO. ITEM 21,
- 12 MR. FUJIOKA, THANK YOU FOR WHIPPING TOGETHER THE GRAND JURY
- 13 REPORT FOR TODAY, A BUSY DAY. THE GRAND JURY REPORT, AS MANY
- 14 OF YOU KNOW, IS A CITIZEN GROUP THAT LOOKS AT VARIOUS AREAS
- 15 INCLUDING THE PRISONS AND OTHER ASPECTS OF THE COUNTY. THE ONE
- 16 THAT CAUGHT MY EYE WAS L.A.C.E.R.A., WHICH AS MANY OF YOU KNOW
- 17 IS THE ORGANIZATION THAT PROVIDES THE BENEFITS TO THE COUNTY
- 18 EMPLOYEES. WE THINK THAT VACATION TIME SHOULD BE PAID AT THE
- 19 RATE AT WHICH IT WAS EARNED, NOT AT THE MOST SENIOR RATE. WE
- 20 THE RESIDENTS ALSO FEEL THAT WE DON'T REALLY BUY THAT IF
- 21 PEOPLE ARE FORCED TO TAKE VACATION TIME, THE COUNTY --

23 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: WRAP IT UP MR. PREVEN.

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- 1 MR. PREVEN: OKAY, I'LL WRAP IT UP. ITEM 23, MR. RIDLEY-THOMAS
- 2 IS THE HOXEY-SMITH MATTER, WHICH IS A CASE THAT WAS SETTLED.
- 3 THE COUNTY RAN INTO PROBLEMS, COUGHED UP 650 TO SOME GUYS WHO
- 4 GOT ROUGHED UP AND THEY'VE BEEN SETTLED. BUT NOBODY WANTS TO
- 5 GIVE THEM THE MONEY. WEEK AFTER WEEK IT KEEPS GETTING DELAYED.
- 6 AND I WONDERING WHY. I CAN'T UNDERSTAND WHY. AND ITEM 24, AND
- 7 THIS IS MY LAST ONE THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR PATIENCE, HAS TO DO
- 8 WITH ONCE AGAIN THE RENAMING OF COUNTY FUNCTIONS. HUMAN
- 9 RESOURCES IN THIS CASE TAKES THE CAKE. MISS ORDIN, I WOULD ASK
- 10 YOU ONE MORE TIME, PLEASE INFORM US OF WHAT A MANAGEMENT
- 11 ANALYST IS. AND PLEASE EXPLAIN WHY WE'RE ADDING JOBS TO HUMAN
- 12 RESOURCES IN THIS DAY AND AGE. IT SEEMS TO THIS RESIDENT THAT
- 13 NOW IS THE TIME FOR BELT TIGHTENING, ESPECIALLY IN THAT AREA.
- 14 AND I THINK THAT MR. KATZ OR DR. KATZ, WHO HAS BEEN CREDITED
- 15 WITH SAVING US A COUPLE HUNDRED MILLION DOLLARS IN PUBLIC
- 16 HEALTH, HAS DONE A GREAT JOB BECAUSE YOU CAN SEE MANY STUDENTS
- 17 HAVE REPLACED PHYSICIANS. AND THAT'S ONE WAY TO DO IT. AND I
- 18 HOPE THAT EVERYBODY GETS THE CARE THEY NEED. THANK YOU ALL.
- 19 GOOD DAY.

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21 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: 18, 21, 22, 23, 24, CS-1 --

- 23 CLERK SACHI HAMAI: MR. MAYOR, ON ITEM 18, 22, 24 AND CS-1,
- 24 THOSE ITEMS ARE BEFORE YOU. ITEMS 21 AND 23, 21 IS BEING
- 25 CONTINUED ONE WEEK. 23 IS BEING CONTINUED TWO WEEKS.



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- 2 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: MOTION BY SUPERVISOR KNABE. WITHOUT
- 3 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. OKAY. NO. 15, MR. ARNOLD SACHS? DR.
- 4 CLAVREUL? S-2? AND MR. GARCIA, 12 AND 19. DANIEL GARCIA. MR.
- 5 GARCIA WHY DON'T YOU GO FIRST ON 12 AND 19 AND DR. CLAVREUL
- 6 WILL GO ON S-2?

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- 8 DANIEL GARCIA: MY NAME IS DANIEL GARCIA. AND I JUST FORGOT TO
- 9 GIVE YOU THE THING THAT I FOUND OUT TODAY THAT CONFIRMED ABOUT
- 10 PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES ON THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT THERE IS NO
- 11 QUALIFIED INTERPRETER FOR PEOPLE WHO ARE DEAF. WE WANT MORE
- 12 SERVICES FOR THE DEAF POPULATION THAN REMAIN NOW. SHOULD WE
- 13 CONTINUE THE ITEM, 19? SHOULD I CONTINUE ON THIS OR NOT? I
- 14 GUESS NOT IMPORTANT. CONTINUE ITEM 19. THE RECOMMENDATION ON
- 15 HYDROCEPHALUS AWARENESS MONTH. I TRULY SUPPORT THIS MONTH, I
- 16 WANT TO MAKE AN EMPHASIS ON IF YOU'RE REALLY CONCERNED ABOUT
- 17 HYDROCEPHALUS AWARENESS MONTH, I WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT YOU
- 18 ARE ALSO CONCERNED ABOUT MEDICAID.

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20 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: OKAY. YOUR TIME, FINISH.

- 22 DANIEAL GARCIA: ABOUT MEDICAID. ABOUT S.S.I. ABOUT EVERYTHING
- 23 THAT BELONGS TO THEM. BECAUSE IF YOU'RE THAT CONCERNED ABOUT
- 24 MAKING AN AWARENESS MONTH, GET THE BOARD THAT MAYBE YOU CAN
- 25 WRITE A LETTER TO PRESIDENT OBAMA SAYING THE CONCERNS ABOUT



- 1 THE ISSUE THAT PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES ARE BEING CUT. SO WE
- 2 WENT THE CONCERN FROM YOU SAYING THINGS THAT WE ARE CONCERNED
- 3 ABOUT MEDICAID AND CUTS FROM PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES.

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5 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. THANK YOU, SIR.

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7 DANIEL GARCIA: WANT ME TO TAKE 12?

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- 9 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: OKAY, THANK YOU, SIR. THANK YOU VERY
- 10 MUCH.

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- 12 CLERK SACHI HAMAI: MR. MAYOR, ITEMS NO. 12 AND 19 ARE BEFORE
- 13 YOU?

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- 15 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: OKAY. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR
- 16 YAROSLAVSKY. SECONDED WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. AND THEN
- 17 S-2, DOCTOR CLAVREUL?

- 19 DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL: GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,
- 20 DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. ON ITEM S-2, I AM CONCERNED THAT EVERY
- 21 WEEK DR. KATZ IS PUSHING THAT ITEM BACK AND BACK. IT HAS BEEN
- 22 MORE THAN SIX MONTHS WHEN THE INITIAL REPORT WAS REQUESTED.
- 23 AND THAT WAS WORRYING ME TREMENDOUSLY. ALSO AT U.S.C., THE
- 24 BOARDING TIME WAS INCREASED FROM FIVE HOURS AND 40 MINUTES TO
- 25 7 HOURS AND 43 MINUTES. THE WAITING TIME WAS ALSO INCREASED



- 1 AND THE DIVERSION ALSO INCREASED. SO THINGS ARE NOT ALL THAT
- 2 ROSY. ALSO, I STILL WOULD LIKE TO SEE THAT NEW PROGRAM HE HAS
- 3 ON HOW IT'S GOING TO UTILIZE OUR END VERSUS A CLINICAL
- 4 ASSISTANT. I REQUESTED ANOTHER FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT TWO
- 5 WEEKS AGO, INFORMATION FROM D.H.S. VIS-A-VIS INFORMATION WHY
- 6 AN EMPLOYEE WAS FIRED ON THE GROUNDS THAT SHE EMBARRASSED THE
- 7 COUNTY. I HAD ASKED HOW MANY PEOPLE HAD BEEN FIRED IN THE LAST
- 8 10 YEARS ON THAT GROUND. IF SO, I THINK A LOT OF PEOPLE COULD
- 9 BE FIRED ON THOSE GROUNDS.

11 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: CAN YOU WRAP IT UP, DOCTOR?

13 GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL: THANK YOU FOR HAVING US SPEAK TO THE ITEMS

- 14 BEFORE THE PUBLIC HEARING. BUT I THINK PUBLIC HEARINGS SHOULD
- 15 BE DONE ON A SEPARATE DAY THAN THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING. I
- 16 THINK THAT'S THE WAY IT SHOULD BE. I THINK IT'S NOT FAIR TO
- 17 ANYBODY TO PUT THEM TOGETHER. THANK YOU.

19 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU, MA'AM.

21 CLERK SACHI HAMAI: MR. MAYOR, ITEM NO. 15 IS BEFORE YOU.

- 23 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: OKAY. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR KNABE.
- 24 SECONDED WITHOUT OBJECTION. SO ORDERED.

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- 1 CLERK SACHI HAMAI: AND ON ITEM S-2, THAT ITEM IS BEING
- 2 CONTINUED TWO WEEKS?

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- 4 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: MOTION BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY.
- 5 SECONDED WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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7 CLERK SACHI HAMAI: AND IF WE CAN --

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- 9 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: LET ME JUST CALL 18 AND 24, MR. ARNOLD
- 10 SACHS? HE'S NOT HERE. SO MOTION BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY.
- 11 SECONDED WITHOUT OBJECTION. 15 AND 18 SO ORDERED. EXCUSE, ME
- 12 18 AND 24 SO ORDERED. AND 15.

- 14 CLERK SACHI HAMAI: THANK YOU. IF WE COULD GO BACK TO AGENDA
- 15 ITEM NO. 6, WE HAVE TABULATED THE BALLOTS. A DETERMINATION HAS
- 16 BEEN MADE THAT NO MAJORITY PROTEST AGAINST THE PROPOSED
- 17 ANNEXATION AND LEVYING OF ANNUAL ASSESSMENTS FOR APPROVED
- 18 TENTATIVE SUBDIVISION TERRITORIES TO COUNTY LIGHTING
- 19 MAINTENANCE DISTRICT 1687, COUNTY LIGHTING DISTRICT LLA-1 FOR
- 20 THE UNINCORPORATED ZONES. AS A RESULT, IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE
- 21 FOR THE BOARD TO ADOPT RESOLUTION APPROVING THE ANNEXATION AND
- 22 LEVYING OF ASSESSMENTS AND THE JOINT RESOLUTIONS ACCEPTING THE
- 23 NEGOTIATED EXCHANGE OF THE PROPERTY TAX REVENUES RESULTING
- 24 FROM THE ANNEXATION OF THE SUBDIVISION OF THE TERRITORIES.
- 25 THIS IS FOR DISTRICT NO. 1, 1 AND 2.



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2 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: OKAY. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR MARK

3 RIDLEY-THOMAS. SECOND WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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5 CLERK SACHI HAMAI: THANK YOU. AND THAT COMPLETES ALL OF THE

6 ITEMS.

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- 8 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: OKAY. LET ME ASK THAT WE DIRECT THE
- 9 C.E.O. EXECUTIVE OFFICE TO GIVE THE BOARD A REPORT AS TO
- 10 COMPENSATION PACKAGE ON THE E.D.C. AND THE AMOUNT OF REVENUE
- 11 THAT THE COUNTY PROVIDES. I DON'T KNOW IF WE DO A SIMILAR
- 12 PROGRAM LIKE WE DO AT THE MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY AND THE
- 13 MUSEUM OF ART, BUT HE CAN REPORT BACK AS TO THE FINANCIAL
- 14 COMMITMENT THAT THE BOARD DOES RELATIVE TO COMPENSATION AND
- 15 THAT AT E.D.C. REPORT BACK. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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17 C.E.O. FUJIOKA: YES, SIR.

- 19 CLERK SACHI HAMAI: OKAY, MR. MAYOR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, WE
- 20 ARE GOING TO GET STARTED WITH SET MATTER ITEM NO. 1, THE 11
- 21 O'CLOCK PUBLIC HEARINGS, REDISTRICTING, ITEMS 1 THROUGH 3. ON
- 22 ITEM NO. 1, THIS IS THE SECOND OF TWO PUBLIC HEARINGS ON THE
- 23 BOARD'S CONSIDERATION OF PLAN T-1, VOTING RIGHTS COMPLAINT
- 24 SUBMITTED BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA. ON ITEM NO. 2, THIS IS THE
- 25 SECOND OF TWO PUBLIC HEARINGS ON THE BOARD'S CONSIDERATION OF



- 1 PLAN S-2, COMMUNITY EMPOWERMENT PLAN, SUBMITTED BY SUPERVISOR
- 2 RIDLEY-THOMAS. ON ITEM NO. 3, THIS IS THE SECOND OF TWO PUBLIC
- 3 HEARINGS ON THE BOARD'S CONSIDERATION OF PLAN A-3, AMENDED
- 4 VOTING RIGHTS COMPLAINT, SUBMITTED BY SUPERVISOR KNABE.

- 6 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: LET ME READ INTO THE RECORD THAT
- 7 BEFORE US TODAY ARE THREE ITEMS. ITEM NO. 1, 2 AND 3 FOR THE
- 8 PUBLIC HEARING ON REDISTRICTING. ON SEPTEMBER 6, THE BOARD OF
- 9 SUPERVISORS HELD OUR FIRST PUBLIC HEARING. TODAY IS THE SECOND
- 10 FOR PLAN T-1, S-2 AMENDED AND A-3 AMENDED. AS WAS DONE AT THE
- 11 PUBLIC HEARING HELD ON SEPTEMBER 6, THESE THREE PLANS WILL BE
- 12 HELD CONCURRENTLY TO STREAMLINE THE PROCESS, PROVIDING
- 13 EVERYONE WITH THAT OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON ANY, ON
- 14 ALL, OR ONE OF THE PLANS. THIS WILL BE THE LAST PUBLIC HEARING
- 15 OF THESE THREE REDISTRICTING PLANS. DUE TO THE LARGE NUMBER OF
- 16 PEOPLE WHO WISH TO SPEAK TO THE BOARD, EACH MEMBER OF THE
- 17 PUBLIC WILL BE GIVEN A COMBINED TOTAL OF ONE MINUTE TO PROVIDE
- 18 FOR HIS OR HER COMMENTS ON ANY OR ALL OF THE THREE PLANS. BE
- 19 SURE TO STATE WHICH PLAN YOU SUPPORT OR OPPOSE IN YOUR TIME
- 20 FRAME. BE RESPECTFUL OF EACH SPEAKER. IF YOU WISH TO SHOW YOUR
- 21 SUPPORT FOR A COMMENT BY A SPEAKER, YOU MAY DO SO BY WAVING OR
- 22 RAISING YOUR HANDS. THERE WILL BE NO APPLAUSE. WE'RE GOING TO
- 23 FIRST BEGIN WITH A BRIEF STAFF REPORT BY OUR C.E.O. STAFF,
- 24 MARTIN ZIMMERMAN. AFTER THAT REPORT, I WILL THEN ASK IF ANY
- 25 BOARD MEMBER WOULD LIKE TO MAKE AMENDMENTS TO ANY OF THE



- 1 PLANS. AND IF YOU HAVE NOT DONE SO ALREADY, PLEASE PROVIDE
- 2 C.E.O. STAFF WITH THE PROPOSED AMENDMENTS AS IT MAY TAKE A FEW
- 3 MINUTES FOR THE STAFF TO MAKE THOSE NECESSARY CHANGES. WE WILL
- 4 THEN, AFTER WE HEAR FROM MR. ZIMMERMAN, HEAR FROM THE ELECTED
- 5 OFFICIALS AND THEN FROM THE INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC.
- 6 AT THE LAST PUBLIC HEARING ON SEPTEMBER 6, OVER 500 SIGNED UP
- 7 TO SPEAK. THIS IS THE PUBLIC'S OPPORTUNITY TO PROVIDE
- 8 ADDITIONAL INFORMATION. AND PLEASE BEAR IN MIND THAT YOU HAVE
- 9 A COMBINED TOTAL OF ONE MINUTE. AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE
- 10 PUBLIC TESTIMONY, WE WILL CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING AND THE
- 11 BOARD WILL THEN DELIBERATE AND CONSIDER WHICH PLAN TO ADOPT OR
- 12 WHETHER TO REVISE A VERSION OF ONE OF THOSE PLANS. ACCORDING
- 13 TO SECTION 21500 OF THE CALIFORNIA ELECTIONS CODE, IT IS THE
- 14 BOARD'S RESPONSIBILITY TO ADJUST THE BOUNDARIES OF THE
- 15 SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS BASED ON THE FEDERAL CENSUS. OUR
- 16 OBLIGATION AS MEMBERS OF THIS BOARD IS TO PASS AN ORDINANCE
- 17 TODAY TO ESTABLISH THE NEW BOUNDARY LINES IN ORDER THAT THESE
- 18 DISTRICTS ARE NEARLY EOUAL AND COMPLY WITH THE PROVISIONS OF
- 19 THE STATE AND FEDERAL LAW. SO, MR. ZIMMERMAN?

- 21 MARTIN ZIMMERMAN: THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MAYOR. SO I PROVIDED A
- 22 SUMMARY AND OVERVIEW OF THE THREE PLANS AT THE SEPTEMBER 6
- 23 PUBLIC HEARING. AND I WANTED TO JUST VERY BRIEFLY GO OVER THE
- 24 THREE PLANS AGAIN JUST VISUALLY, THE MAPS, TO REFRESH PEOPLE'S
- 25 MEMORIES, REORIENT THEM TO THE THREE PLANS THAT ARE CURRENTLY



- 1 BEFORE YOUR BOARD. OKAY. SO STARTING WITH PLAN T-1, THE VOTING
- 2 RIGHTS COMPLIANCE PLAN, SUBMITTED BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA, WE
- 3 HAVE THE FIRST DISTRICT IN MAINLY THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY
- 4 DISTRICT. IT INCLUDES MANY OF THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY CITIES
- 5 AND COMMUNITIES CURRENTLY IN THE FIRST DISTRICT, BUT IT DOES
- 6 PICK UP SOME CITIES, SAN GABRIEL VALLEY CITIES IN THE FIFTH
- 7 DISTRICT IN THE NORTH HERE. IT ALSO PICKS UP SOME
- 8 UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES, ROWLAND HEIGHTS, HACIENDA HEIGHTS,
- 9 PLUS SOME GATEWAY CITIES DOWN IN THIS AREA WHICH ARE CURRENTLY
- 10 PART OF THE FOURTH DISTRICT. AND THEN IT DOES GO UP THROUGH
- 11 HIGHLAND PARK, EAGLE ROCK AND PICK UP THAT AREA THERE. SECOND
- 12 DISTRICT IS NOT LARGELY AFFECTED BY PLAN T-1, ALTHOUGH DOWN IN
- 13 THE SOUTHERN PORTION HERE, IT DOES PICK UP THE COMMUNITY OF
- 14 WILMINGTON WITHIN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES. (CLEARING THROAT).
- 15 EXCUSE ME. THE THIRD DISTRICT IN PLAN T-1 INCLUDES AREAS
- 16 WITHIN THIS MID CITY-HOLLYWOOD AREA THAT ARE CURRENTLY IN THE
- 17 THIRD DISTRICT; HOWEVER, IT DOES START FURTHER SOUTH NOW DOWN
- 18 IN THE LYNWOOD SOUTH GATE AREA. IT GOES UP THROUGH DOWNTOWN,
- 19 PICKS UP, LIKE I SAY, AREAS CURRENTLY IN THE THIRD DISTRICT,
- 20 BUT THEN GOES NORTH, INCLUDING BURBANK, WHICH IS CURRENTLY IN
- 21 THE FIFTH DISTRICT, AND THEN PICKS UP THE NORTH AND EAST SAN
- 22 FERNANDO VALLEY AREAS THAT ARE CURRENTLY IN THE THIRD
- 23 DISTRICT. IN PLAN T-1, THE FOURTH DISTRICT INCLUDES SOME OF
- 24 THE SOUTH BAY AREA AND SOUTHEAST COUNTY AREA THAT ARE
- 25 CURRENTLY IN THE FOURTH DISTRICT, INCLUDING LONG BEACH,



- 1 CERRITOS. BUT THEN GOES ALL THE WAY UP THE COAST, PICKING UP
- 2 ALL THE ENTIRE COASTAL AREA, SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS AND THE
- 3 WEST SIDE L.A., WHICH IS CURRENTLY IN THE THIRD DISTRICT, AND
- 4 THEN A SIZABLE PORTION OF THE CENTRAL SAN FERNANDO VALLEY
- 5 THAT'S AGAIN CURRENTLY IN THE THIRD DISTRICT. FIFTH DISTRICT,
- 6 NOT SUBSTANTIALLY IMPACTED BY PLAN T-1, DOES PICK UP SOME SAN
- 7 FERNANDO VALLEY AREA THAT'S CURRENTLY IN THE THIRD DISTRICT.
- 8 AND ALSO AS WE INDICATED EARLIER, SOME OF THE EASTERN SAN
- 9 GABRIEL VALLEY CITIES IN THE FIFTH DISTRICT DO GO TO THE NEW
- 10 FIRST DISTRICT. NEXT ONE? PLAN S-2, THE COMMUNITY EMPOWERMENT
- 11 PLAN SUBMITTED BY SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS. STARTING WITH
- 12 DISTRICT 1, INCLUDES A LOT OF THE CENTER CITY AND SOME OF
- 13 SOUTHERN CORE CITIES WHICH ARE CURRENTLY IN THE FIRST
- 14 DISTRICT. BUT THIS FIRST DISTRICT ALSO GOES NORTH, PICKING UP
- 15 AREAS OF SILVER LAKE, HIGHLAND PARK, EAGLE ROCK, CITY OF
- 16 BURBANK AGAIN THAT'S CURRENTLY IN THE FIFTH AND IT GOES INTO
- 17 THE NORTH AND WEST SAN FERNANDO VALLEY AREAS THAT ARE
- 18 CURRENTLY IN THE THIRD DISTRICT. SECOND DISTRICT IN PLAN S-2
- 19 IS NOT SUBSTANTIALLY IMPACTED. ALONG THE EDGES, THERE ARE SOME
- 20 MINOR CHANGES. THIRD DISTRICT IN PLAN S-2, INCLUDES THE SANTA
- 21 MONICA MOUNTAINS, PARTS OF THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY, THE WEST
- 22 SIDE OF L.A. AND SOME OF THE WEST SIDE CITIES, BURBANK, WEST
- 23 HOLLYWOOD, THAT ARE CURRENTLY IN THE THIRD DISTRICT. GOES ALL
- 24 THE WAY DOWN THE COAST PICKING UP ALL THE SOUTH BAY CITIES,
- 25 INCLUDING, AND THEN IT INCLUDES LONG BEACH TO COMPRISE AN



- 1 ENTIRE COASTAL DISTRICT. THE FOURTH DISTRICT INCLUDES GATEWAY
- 2 CITIES AND COMMUNITIES, UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES, HACIENDA
- 3 HEIGHTS, ROWLAND HEIGHTS, THAT ARE CURRENTLY IN THE FOURTH
- 4 DISTRICT. BUT THEN PICKS UP SUBSTANTIALLY THE SAN GABRIEL
- 5 VALLEY CITIES THAT ARE CURRENTLY IN THE FIRST DISTRICT AND
- 6 SOME THAT ARE IN THE FIFTH DISTRICT, INCLUDING WEST COVINA.
- 7 FIFTH DISTRICT AGAIN NOT VERY SUBSTANTIALLY IMPACTED BY PLAN
- 8 S-2, PICKS UP SOME IN THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY AND AS WE SAID
- 9 LOSES BURBANK TO THE FIRST AND THEN ALSO SOME OF THE SAN
- 10 GABRIEL VALLEY CITIES TO THE FOURTH. FINAL PLAN? THIS IS PLAN
- 11 A-3, AMENDED. SUBMITTED BY SUPERVISOR DON KNABE. AND IN THIS
- 12 PLAN, FIRST DISTRICT SUBSTANTIALLY SIMILAR TO WHAT IT IS NOW,
- 13 ALTHOUGH IT DOES PICK UP CITIES SUCH AS WEST COVINA AND
- 14 CLAREMONT FROM THE FIFTH DISTRICT. ALSO THE CITY OF SANTA FE
- 15 SPRINGS CURRENTLY IN THE FIFTH DISTRICT WOULD SHIFT TO THE
- 16 FOURTH DISTRICT. AND THEN PARTS OF UNINCORPORATED ROWLAND
- 17 HEIGHTS AND WHITTIER WOULD GO FROM THE FIRST TO THE FOURTH
- 18 DISTRICT. SECOND DISTRICT NOT SIGNIFICANTLY IMPACTED BY PLAN
- 19 A-3 AMENDED, HOWEVER ONE CHANGE IS THAT THE COMMUNITY OF
- 20 FLORENCE-FIRESTONE, WHICH IS CURRENTLY SPLIT BETWEEN THE FIRST
- 21 AND THE SECOND DISTRICTS, WOULD BE CONSOLIDATED WITHIN THE
- 22 SECOND. THIRD DISTRICT, NOT IMPACTED BY PLAN A-3 AMENDED. AND
- 23 THE FOURTH DISTRICT, THE MAJOR CHANGE WOULD BE GAINING SOME OF
- 24 THOSE AREAS IN UNINCORPORATED WHITTIER AND ROWLAND HEIGHTS,
- 25 GAINING THE CITY OF SANTA FE SPRINGS. AND THEN THERE IS SOME



- 1 CHANGES IN THE WESTCHESTER AREA. JUST REALLY QUICKLY, PLAN T-1
- 2 HAS A TOTAL POPULATION DEVIATION OF 1.7. PLAN S-2 HAS A TOTAL
- 3 POPULATION DEVIATION OF 2.81. AND PLAN A-3 AMENDED HAS A TOTAL
- 4 POPULATION DEVIATION OF 1.57 PERCENT. THAT CONCLUDES MY
- 5 PRESENTATION.

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- 7 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: OKAY. THANK YOU. OKAY. WE WILL BEGIN
- 8 WITH THE PUBLIC OFFICIALS? TURN ON THE LIGHTS. OKAY. SENATOR
- 9 FRAN PAVLEY ASSEMBLYMAN JULIA BROWNLEY. ASSEMBLYMAN TONY
- 10 MENDOZA. MAYOR MICHAEL MENDEZ. GOOD MORNING.

- 12 FRAN PAVLEY: GOOD MORNING. PLEASURE FOR ME TO BE HERE. I'M
- 13 FRAN PAVLEY. I'M A STATE SENATOR FROM THE 23RD SENATE
- 14 DISTRICT. I REPRESENT ABOUT 700,000 PEOPLE WHO LIVE IN BOTH
- 15 THE 23RD SENATE DISTRICT AS WELL AS THE THIRD SUPERVISORIAL
- 16 DISTRICT. THIS INCLUDES PORTIONS OF THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY,
- 17 THE WEST SIDE AND WESTERN L.A. COUNTY. THERE ARE 7
- 18 INCORPORATED CITIES, A PORTION OF L.A. AND A LARGE SWATH OF
- 19 UNINCORPORATED AREAS THAT WOULD BENEFIT FROM KEEPING THIS AREA
- 20 TOGETHER AND REPRESENTED BY ONE SUPERVISOR. I'M HERE SPEAKING
- 21 IN FAVOR OF PLAN A-3 AMENDED. I WOULD LIKE TO TAKE AN
- 22 OPPORTUNITY TO FOCUS ON ONE AREA IN PARTICULAR AND THAT'S THE
- 23 WESTERN AREA OF L.A. COUNTY. THIS IS A DISTRICT MADE UP OF, OR
- 24 AN AREA MADE UP OF LARGE UNINCORPORATED AREAS WHO ARE
- 25 BENEFITING BY A SPECIAL RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN FIVE CITIES THAT



- 1 FORM A COG AS WELL AS OUR ONE SUPERVISOR. WE HAVE COME
- 2 TOGETHER TO ADDRESS REGIONAL PROBLEMS SUCH AS CROSS-MOUNTAIN
- 3 TRAFFIC PATTERNS, URBAN RUNOFF IN THE SANTA MONICA BAY AND--

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- 5 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: FRAN, WE'VE GOT TO HOLD EVERYBODY TO
- 6 ONE MINUTE BECAUSE OF THE 1,000 PEOPLE THAT HAVE SIGNED UP.
- 7 BUT THANK YOU FOR YOUR POINT ON THAT.

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9 FRAN PAVLEY: THANK YOU. ASSEMBLYMAN?

- 11 JULIA BROWNLEY: THANK YOU, HONORABLE MAYOR AND SUPERVISORS.
- 12 I'M JULIA BROWNLEY. I APPRECIATE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK IN
- 13 SUPPORT OF PLAN A-3, WHICH WILL PRESERVE THE COHESIVENESS OF
- 14 THE THIRD DISTRICT ON ISSUES INCLUDING LAND USE,
- 15 TRANSPORTATION, WATERSHED AND STORM WATER MANAGEMENT. AND ALL
- 16 WHICH BEST REFLECTS THE COMMON VISION THAT HAS BEEN FORGED
- 17 BETWEEN THE LOCAL GOVERNMENTS, PARKS AND OTHER AGENCIES OVER
- 18 THE YEARS. I HAVE SERIOUS CONCERNS ABOUT MOVING 3.5 MILLION
- 19 COUNTY RESIDENTS INTO NEW DISTRICTS WITH SUPERVISORS LARGELY
- 20 UNKNOWN TO THEM AND FOR WHOM NONE OF THESE RESIDENTS HAVE HAD
- 21 THE OPPORTUNITY TO VOTE. SPECIFICALLY WITH RESPECT TO MY 41ST
- 22 ASSEMBLY DISTRICT WHERE THE ENVIRONMENTALLY FRAGILE SANTA
- 23 MONICA MOUNTAINS NATIONAL RECREATION AREA FORMS ITS
- 24 GEOGRAPHICAL HEART AND HAS BEEN SHARED WITH A THIRD
- 25 SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT FOR A VERY LONG TIME. IT IS CRITICAL



- 1 THAT THE SUCCESS AND PRODUCTIVE RELATIONSHIPS OF COOPERATION
- 2 AND TRUST THAT HAVE BEEN BUILT UP OVER THE YEARS BE PRESERVED
- 3 AND THAT THE PROTECTIVE MEASURES THAT HAVE BEEN PUT IN PLACE
- 4 BE SECURE.

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6 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. THANK YOU ASSEMBLYWOMAN.

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8 JULIA BROWNLEY: THANK YOU.

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10 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: YES, SIR.

- 12 TONY MENDOZA: THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR. I AM ASSEMBLYMAN TONY
- 13 MENDOZA. I REPRESENT THE 56TH ASSEMBLY DISTRICT. INCLUDES THE
- 14 CITY OF ARTESIA, CERRITOS, LAKEWOOD, HAWAIIAN GARDENS,
- 15 NORWALK, WHITTIER, UNINCORPRATED -- LOS NIETOS IN BUENA PARK.
- 16 I COME TO SPEAK AGAINST PLAN A-3 AND IN SUPPORT OF S-2. IT IS
- 17 IMPORTANT TO RECOGNIZE THIS REDISTRICTING ISN'T ABOUT RACE,
- 18 IT'S ABOUT FAIR REPRESENTATION IN L.A. COUNTY. FAIR
- 19 REPRESENTATION DOES NOT MEAN GROUPING A BUNCH OF FOLKS
- 20 TOGETHER BECAUSE THE COLOR OF THEIR SKIN IS THE SAME. FAIRNESS
- 21 IN THIS SENSE IS GROUPING CITIES TOGETHER BECAUSE THEIR ISSUES
- 22 ARE THE SAME. WITHIN THE SOUTHEAST PORTION OF L.A. COUNTY
- 23 WHERE THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY CITIES AND GATEWAY CITIES LIE, WE
- 24 SEE CITIES THAT SHARE SIMILAR WORKING CLASS, SOCIOECONOMIC
- 25 VALUES. THEY SHARE THE SAME CONDITIONS, UTILITY AND SANITATION



- 1 SERVICES. THEY SHARE THE SAME GEOGRAPHIC CORRIDORS LIKE THE
- 2 605 FREEWAYS, THE SAN GABRIEL RIVER. THESE ARE COMMUNITIES OF
- 3 INTEREST. THIS RINGS TRUE THE SAME WITH COASTAL CITIES THAT
- 4 ARE MORE AFFLUENT. THEY SHARE MORE SIMILAR ENVIRONMENTAL GOALS
- 5 AND INTERESTS AND AS WELL AS SHARING SIMILAR SOCIOECONOMIC
- 6 VALUES. SO I URGE YOUR SUPPORT OF S-2.

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- 8 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP VICE
- 9 MAYOR DIANA DUBOIS, LING-LING CHANG, MAYOR PRO TEM, DIAMOND
- 10 BAR. AND DR. STEVEN ZUCKERMAN, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF ROLLING
- 11 HILLS. MR. MAYOR.

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- 13 MIKE MENDEZ: THANK YOU. MAYOR MIKE MENDEZ. (GAVEL). THANK YOU.
- 14 MAYOR MIKE MENDEZ, CITY OF NORWALK. WE SUPPORT A-3. I
- 15 APPRECIATE THE OPPORTUNITY TO COME AND SPEAK BEFORE THIS BOARD
- 16 OF SUPERVISORS. I'VE HAD AN OPPORTUNITY BEFORE. AND WE WANT TO
- 17 STAY WITHIN THE A-3. WE HAVE SIMILAR CITIES THAT WE DO A LOT
- 18 OF PROJECTS WITH, TRANSPORTATION. AND ALL OF US WORK REALLY
- 19 WELL TOGETHER AND WE'D LIKE TO KEEP THIS DISTRICT TOGETHER. I
- 20 KNOW IT'S A DIFFICULT DECISION FOR THE BOARD. ALSO IN THE FACT
- 21 THAT THE REDISTRICTING COMMITTEE TOOK A LOT OF TESTIMONY. AND
- 22 I KNOW YOU'VE HEARD A LOT FROM EVERYBODY, BUT WE REALLY WOULD
- 23 WANT YOU TO SUPPORT A-3.

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25 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MAYOR. DIANE?



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- 2 DIANE DUBOIS: I'M DIANE DUBOIS, VICE MAYOR FROM THE CITY OF
- 3 LAKEWOOD AND THANK YOU FOR YOUR PATIENCE. LAST TIME I HAD TO
- 4 BUG OUT, AND COULDN'T SPEAK. LAKEWOOD IS ENTHUSIASTICALLY IN
- 5 SUPPORT OF A-3 AMENDED. I BELIEVE THERE WAS A STATEMENT MADE
- 6 LAST TIME THAT LAKEWOOD WAS ONE OF THE CITIES IN ASSEMBLY
- 7 MEMBER MENDOZA'S AREA THAT SUPPORTED ANOTHER ISSUE, THAT'S NOT
- 8 TRUE. WE ARE STRONGLY BEHIND A-3. THAT PARTICULAR PLAN MOST
- 9 CLOSELY REPLICATES THE POPULATION OF THE COUNTY OF LOS
- 10 ANGELES. AND WHY WOULD WE NOT WANT TO DO THAT? WHY WOULDN'T WE
- 11 WANT TO MIRROR WHAT THE COUNTY IS? WE HAVE SEVERAL COMMUNITIES
- 12 OF INTEREST. AND I GUESS I HAVE TO ASK A QUESTION BECAUSE
- 13 THERE HAS BEEN A STATEMENT MADE THAT LATINOS MUST REPRESENT
- 14 LATINOS. SO I WANT TO KNOW IF I LIVED IN YOUR DISTRICT,
- 15 SUPERVISOR MOLINA, WOULD YOU NOT REPRESENT ME BECAUSE I'M NOT
- 16 A LATINO? THAT'S WHAT'S IMPLIED. I URGE YOU TO VOTE FOR THE
- 17 MOST RATIONAL PLAN, A-3.

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19 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. LING-LING.

- 21 LING-LING CHANG: I'M LING-LING CHANG, MAYOR PRO TEM, CITY OF
- 22 DIAMOND BAR. CURRENTLY IN THE FOURTH DISTRICT, I'M ALSO THE
- 23 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE YOUTH SCIENCE CENTER LOCATED IN
- 24 HACIENDA HEIGHTS, WHICH IS ALSO IN THE FOURTH DISTRICT. AND I
- 25 SERVE ON A NUMBER OF REGIONAL BOARDS AND VERY INVOLVED



- 1 REGIONALLY SO I'M WELL VERSED IN DIVERSE COMMUNITIES OUT
- 2 THERE. WEARING ONE OF MY HATS AS THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE
- 3 SCIENCE CENTER, SCIENCE CENTER IS AN EXCELLENT EXAMPLE OF
- 4 LINKING COMMUNITIES OF INTEREST AND SHARED RESOURCES. FOR
- 5 EXAMPLE, WE STARTED ALL THE WAY OUT IN DIAMOND BAR AND WE
- 6 CURRENTLY HAVE A PENDING PARTNERSHIP WITH MANHATTAN BEACH,
- 7 WHICH IS ALSO IN THE FOURTH DISTRICT. AND IT PROVIDES SOME
- 8 EDUCATION TO STUDENTS ALL ACROSS L.A. COUNTY. AND WEARING MY
- 9 MAYOR PRO TEM HAT, I CAN SAY THAT OUR CITY IS ECSTATIC ABOUT
- 10 THE NEW LIBRARY IN DIAMOND BAR THAT WILL BE SHARED BY OUR
- 11 REGIONAL NEIGHBORS, PARTICULARLY ROWLAND HEIGHTS AS WELL AS
- 12 HACIENDA HEIGHTS AND OTHER SURROUNDING CITIES. IT IS
- 13 IMPERATIVE THAT WE DON'T SPLIT UP COMMUNITIES THAT HAVE SHARED
- 14 THE SAME ISSUES, SERVICES, AND REPRESENTATION OVER 20 YEARS.
- 15 SO I SUPPORT A-3.

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- 17 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. LET ME FIRST, DOCTOR, CALL
- 18 UP MARY SU, JOSUE BARRIOS PAMELA CONLEY ULICH. DR. ZUCKERMAN?

- 20 STEVEN ZUCKERMAN: MR. MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF
- 21 SUPERVISORS, I COME TO YOU AS MAYOR ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF
- 22 ROLLING HILLS ESTATES TO SUPPORT PLAN A-3 AMENDED. THIS PLAN
- 23 WILL PRESERVE THE EFFICIENCIES AND BENEFITS THAT HAVE RESULTED
- 24 FROM THE LONG HISTORIC RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN OUR COMMUNITY,
- 25 WHICH WAS THE HOME OF PAST SUPERVISOR DEANE DANA AND THE

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- 1 FAMILIAR AND EFFECTIVE STAFF OF DISTRICT 4. WE THE COMMUNITY
- 2 ASK THAT YOU SUPPORT THE COST SAVINGS AND ORGANIZATIONAL
- 3 EFFICIENCIES THAT PLAN A-3 AMENDED REPRESENTS AND THAT THEY BE
- 4 PRESERVED IN THE FACE OF AN ALTERNATE PLAN THAT WOULD CREATE
- 5 HUGE INEFFICIENCIES AND REARRANGE OUR MOST DIVERSE DISTRICT IN
- 6 ORDER TO CREATE PREDETERMINED ELECTORAL OUTCOMES. THANK YOU.
- 8 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU, DOCTOR. YES, SIR?
- 10 JOSUE BARRIOS: GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS JOSUE BARRIOS. I'M THE
- 11 MAYOR OF THE CITY OF CUDAHY. IT SEEMS TO BE-- I'M ACTUALLY
- 12 HERE IN FAVOR OF THE T-1 PLAN. IT SEEMS TO ME THAT WE NEED TO
- 13 GO BACK AND RE-VISIT THE FUNDAMENTALS OF WHAT WE'RE DEBATING.
- 14 THE PURPOSE OF REDISTRICTING IS TO ADDRESS THE DEMOGRAPHIC
- 15 SHIFTS IN OUR COMMUNITY. IT'S NOT A MATTER WHETHER WE LIKE OUR
- 16 SUPERVISOR OR NOT. IT'S A MATTER OF LAW. IGNORING THE LAW IS A
- 17 CRIME. PRETENDING THE LAW DOESN'T EXIST DOES NOT MAKE THE LAW
- 18 GO AWAY. OUR STATE LEGISLATOR HAS ACCEPTED IT. OUR
- 19 CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS HAVE GONE THROUGH IT. MY OUESTION IS:
- 20 WHY DOES THE MAJORITY IN L.A.COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
- 21 CHOOSE TO IGNORE WHAT WE HAVE TO DO? THE A-3 PLAN DOES NOT
- 22 ADDRESS REDISTRICTING NOR DOES IT LAWFULLY TAKE INTO
- 23 CONSIDERATION THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT. STATUS OUO AND
- 24 REDISTRICTING SHOULD NEVER APPEAR IN THE SAME SENTENCE. IN
- 25 ORDER TO PRESERVE THE INTEGRITY OF OUR COMMUNITY AND THE



- 1 SPIRIT OF THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT, IT IS CRUCIAL THAT WE ADOPT
- 2 THE T-1 PLAN. LET'S AVOID SPENDING MILLIONS OF TAXPAYER
- 3 DOLLARS IN A NEEDLESS LAWSUIT ONLY TO FIND OUT WHAT WE NOW
- 4 KNOW, A-3 IS INEQUITABLE.

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- 6 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP MAYOR
- 7 PRO TEM LAURA ROSENTHAL AND GUSTAVO CAMACHO, OF PICO RIVERA.

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- 9 MARY SU: GOOD MORNING HONORABLE MAYOR. THIS IS MARY SU, MAYOR
- 10 PRO TEM FOR CITY OF WALNUT. I AM ALSO THE HEAD, THE FOUNDER,
- 11 AND AND THE PRESIDENT UNIFIED DISTRICT WHICH COVER DIAMOND BAR
- 12 AND WALNUT AREA. TODAY I'M HERE TO FAVOR THE A-3. THE REASON
- 13 IS BECAUSE WALNUT, FOR THE LAST SEVEN YEARS WE DO HAVE A
- 14 DIFFICULTY TO TRY TO WORK TOGETHER WITH OUR SUPERVISOR. I WAS
- 15 MAYOR IN 2009 AND I HAVE MY STAFF WORKING TOGETHER WITH THE
- 16 STAFF OF THE SUPERVISOR, BUT WE HAVEN'T HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO
- 17 MEET WITH OUR SUPERVISOR YET. SO WE HAVE NO CHOICE BUT TO TURN
- 18 TO DON KNABE'S OFFICE. AND HE HAS BEEN REALLY SUPPLEMENTAL
- 19 EDUCATION AND AND ECONOMY THAT REALLY, REALLY SUPPORTIVE. SO
- 20 WE ON BEHALF OF CITY OF WALNUT AND THE SCHOOL DISTRICT, WE
- 21 WOULD LIKE TO ASK YOU TO HONOR THE A-3 PLAN. THANK YOU SO
- 22 MUCH.

- 24 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP GLEAM
- 25 DAVIS. YES, MA'AM.



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- 2 PAMELA CONLEY ULICH: HI, GOOD MORNING. MY NAME'S PAMELA CONLEY
- 3 ULICH. I REPRESENT THE CITY OF MALIBU. I'M IN FAVOR OF A-3 AS
- 4 AMENDED. FIRST I'D LIKE TO THANK ALL OF YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE
- 5 TO THE PEOPLE OF LOS ANGELES. ALL THE PEOPLE REGARDLESS OF
- 6 THEIR RACE, THEIR SEX, THEIR AGE. AND I'M HERE TODAY WHERE I'M
- 7 GRATEFUL THAT WE LIVE IN THE UNITED STATES WHERE WE THE PEOPLE
- 8 CAN VOTE FOR THE BEST PERSON. AND I'M GRATEFUL THAT PRESIDENT
- 9 OBAMA, WHO IS A MINORITY, IS OUR PRESIDENT. I THINK WE HAVE TO
- 10 DO WHAT'S BEST TODAY. I HOPE YOU WILL SUPPORT A-3. IT WILL
- 11 REPRESENT THE PEOPLE WITH TERM LIMITS. THERE'S NEW
- 12 OPPORTUNITIES FOR NEW PEOPLE. AND I TRUST THAT THE PEOPLE WILL
- 13 VOTE THE BEST PERSON INTO OFFICE REGARDLESS OF THEIR RACE. SO
- 14 THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME. THANK YOU, ALL THE PEOPLE WHO ARE
- 15 HERE TODAY, TO COME DOWN AND PARTICIPATE IN GOVERNMENT. AND I
- 16 LOOK FORWARD TO YOU DOING THE BEST JOB. AND THANK YOU FOR YOUR
- 17 SUPPORT.

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- 19 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.] LET ME --
- 20 PLEASE. LET ME ALSO CALL UP, AGAIN, COUNCILMAN CAMACHO?
- 21 COUNCILMAN CAMACHO? LUCY MARTIN? LUCY MARTIN? LARRY FORESTER.
- 22 YES MS. ROSENTHAL.

- 24 LAURA ROSENTHAL: GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS LAURA ROSENTHAL. I'M
- 25 THE MAYOR PRO TEM OF THE CITY OF MALIBU. AND I'M HERE TO SAY

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- 1 THAT MALIBU SUPPORTS A-3. YOU KNOW, A GENTLEMAN TALKED EARLIER
- 2 ABOUT THAT IT'S THE ISSUES THAT ARE IMPORTANT AND NOT THE
- 3 COLOR OF ONE'S SKIN OR ANYTHING ELSE. AND SO IF THE ISSUES ARE
- 4 REALLY IMPORTANT, THEN YOU NEED TO VOTE FOR A-3. THE THIRD
- 5 DISTRICT NEEDS TO STAY TOGETHER. WE SHARE EMERGENCY
- 6 PREPAREDNESS. WE SHARE A WATERSHED. AND WE SHARE
- 7 TRANSPORTATION ISSUES. MANY -- LAST WEEK I WAS AT THE LEAGUE
- 8 OF CALIFORNIA CITIES UP IN SAN FRANCISCO. AND TALKING TO OTHER
- 9 AREAS, THEY DON'T WANT TO BE WITH US AND WE DON'T WANT TO BE
- 10 WITH THEM, SO WHY WOULD YOU WANT TO PUT CITIES AND AREAS
- 11 TOGETHER THAT DO NOT SHARE ANY OF THESE ISSUES AND DO NOT WANT
- 12 TO BE TOGETHER? PLEASE SUPPORT A-3. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

14 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. YES, MA'AM.

16 GLEAM DAVIS: MR. MAYOR AND BOARD, I'M GLEAM DAVIS THE MAYOR

- 17 PRO TEM OF SANTA MONICA SPEAKING ON MY OWN BEHALF TODAY. I
- 18 OPPOSE PLANS T-1 AND S-2. AS I MENTIONED BEFORE, I'M A FORMER
- 19 TRIAL ATTORNEY WITH THE CIVIL RIGHTS DIVISION OF THE
- 20 DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. YOU CAN COMPLY WITH THE VOTING RIGHTS
- 21 ACT WITHOUT UNRAVELING THE STRONG AND PRODUCTIVE WORKING
- 22 RELATIONSHIPS THAT WE HAVE FORMED WITHIN THE CURRENT THIRD
- 23 SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT. MY CONSTITUENTS WANT MEANINGFUL
- 24 SOLUTIONS TO REGIONAL PROBLEMS LIKE TRAFFIC, HOMELESSNESS AND
- 25 THE ENVIRONMENT. LUMPING SANTA MONICA TOGETHER WITH MORE



- 1 SOUTHERN COASTAL CITIES THAT HAVE VERY DIFFERENT CONCERNS WILL
- 2 NOT HELP SOLVE THESE PROBLEMS. FOR EXAMPLE, THE ENVIRONMENTAL
- 3 CHALLENGES FACING THE PORTS OF SAN PEDRO AND LONG BEACH ARE
- 4 VERY DIFFERENT FROM THE BEACH EROSION ISSUES WE WRESTLE WITH
- 5 IN THE NORTH SANTA MONICA BAY. BUILDING AND MAINTAINING STRONG
- 6 REGIONAL RELATIONSHIPS HAS BEEN KEY TO OUR MAKING INROADS IN
- 7 OUR ISSUES IN OUR REGION. AND IF OUR SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT IS
- 8 RADICALLY ALTERED, THE UNDERMINING OF ESTABLISHED
- 9 RELATIONSHIPS WILL HINDER FUTURE PROGRESS. THANK YOU.

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- 11 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP ANTONIA
- 12 LOPEZ AND BOB ARCHULETA. YES, MA'AM.

- 14 LUCY MARTIN: HONORABLE SUPERVISORS, MY NAME IS LUCY MARTIN AND
- 15 I AM A COUNCIL PERSON FROM THE CITY OF CALABASAS. AS THE
- 16 GATEWAY TO THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS NATIONAL RECREATION AREA
- 17 WE HAVE A COMPELLING INTEREST IN PRESERVING OUR DISTRICT 3
- 18 BOUNDARIES AS THEY ARE. PROPOSED MAP PLAN A-3 DOES EXACTLY
- 19 THAT WITH MINOR MODIFICATIONS. CLEARLY IT IS NOT IN OUR BEST
- 20 INTEREST TO DEVIATE BACK TO ANTIQUATED DISTRICT BOUNDARIES
- 21 LIKE T-1 OR S-2 THAT WOULD FORCE THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS
- 22 BACK INTO URBAN PLANNING PRINCIPLES THAT CONFLICT WITH OUR
- 23 SACRED THIRD DISTRICT GUIDING PRINCIPLE: LET THE LAND DICTATE
- 24 THE USE. THIS AND OUR OTHER ENVIRONMENTAL PRIORITIES WOULD NOT
- 25 BE STRENGTHENED IN THE T-1 AND S-2 DISTRICTS. INSTEAD, OUR



- 1 POLICY PRIORITIES AND ABILITY TO HAVE A VOICE IN OUR OWN
- 2 FUTURE WOULD CLASH WITH THE PRIORITY OF PARTS OF THE DISTRICT
- 3 WITH WHOM WE WOULD NOW UNNATURALLY BE FORCED TOGETHER. OUR
- 4 DISTRICT 3 IS NOT BROKEN; IN FACT, IT IS THRIVING.

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6 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU, MA'AM.

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8 LUCY MARTIN: THANK YOU.

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- 10 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: LET ME ALSO CALL UP DR. TED EDMISTON
- 11 AND LAURA ROSENTHAL, YOU ALREADY SPOKE, I BELIEVE? SO YOU
- 12 FILED TWICE. JAMES KANG. YES, SIR.

- 14 LARRY FORESTER: MR. MAYOR, LARRY FORESTER, THE CITY OF SIGNAL
- 15 HILL, MAYOR. I'M HERE TO SUPPORT A-3 REDISTRICTING AMENDED. I
- 16 BELIEVE IT MAINTAINS THE DISTRICTS AS CLOSE TO CURRENT AS
- 17 POSSIBLE, RECOGNIZING THE GREAT HISTORY OF THE CITIES IN EACH
- 18 OF THESE DISTRICTS, ABILITY TO WORK TOGETHER IN A REGIONAL
- 19 APPROACH AND NEEDS TO BE MAINTAINED. SIGNAL HILL AND OTHER
- 20 CITIES IN THE FOURTH DISTRICT ARE WORKING TOGETHER ON PROJECTS
- 21 LIKE THE GATEWAY CITIES COG TRANSPORTATION AND ENVIRONMENTAL
- 22 PROGRAMS WITH THE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACTION PLAN, THE FIRST
- 23 IN THE NATION, -- INITIATIVE BY THE COG WITH YOUR SUPPORT.
- 24 PLEASE LET SIGNAL HILL, LONG BEACH AND OTHER CITIES TO
- 25 CONTINUE TO WORK TOGETHER IN THE CURRENT SUPERVISORY DISTRICT



- 1 WITH LITTLE DISRUPTION BECAUSE OF POPULATION CHANGES. THE
- 2 RELATIONSHIP BUILT BETWEEN SIGNAL HILL, DOWNEY, CERRITOS,
- 3 PARAMOUNT, LONG BEACH, LAKEWOOD IN THE FOURTH DISTRICT HAVE
- 4 HAD ALL THEIR POPULATIONS WORK IN COLLATION TO SOLVE MANY
- 5 ISSUES AND PROBLEMS REGARDLESS OF RACE, ETHNICITY, CULTURAL
- 6 PRACTICES, RELIGIOUS AFFILIATIONS AND EVEN POLITICAL
- 7 AFFILIATIONS. EVEN MY OWN L.G.B.T. COMMUNITY HAS BEEN ABLE TO
- 8 ASSIMILATE. AS MAYOR OF SIGNAL HILL, I SUPPORT THE SUPERVISORS
- 9 TO DO A-3 AND NOT TO SUBJECT THE POPULATION OF ABOUT 1-1/2 TO
- 10 3 MILLION IF YOU START SPLITTING THE CITIES.

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12 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU.

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- 14 ANTONIO LOPEZ: THANK YOU. HONORABLE MAYOR AND BOARD OF
- 15 SUPERVISORS. MY NAME'S ANTONIO LOPEZ. I'M COUNCIL MEMBER OF
- 16 THE CITY OF SAN FERNANDO AND CURRENTLY IN THE THIRD DISTRICT.
- 17 I'M HERE TO OPPOSE PLANS T-1 AND S-2. MY CITY BENEFITS GREATLY
- 18 BEING IN THE CURRENT THIRD DISTRICT AND WILL SUFFER IF PLANS
- 19 T-1 AND S-2 ARE APPROVED. THE CURRENT THIRD DISTRICT SUPPORTS
- 20 MY LATINO COMMUNITY AND I'M A FIRM BELIEVER THAT T-1 AND S-2
- 21 PLANS WILL NOT WORK IN OUR DISTRICT AND MANY PROJECTS THAT WE
- 22 CURRENTLY HAVE WILL COME INTO HALT IF THIS IS APPROVED. PLEASE
- 23 SUPPORT A-3 AND VOTE FOR IT. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

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25 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. PLEASE. OTHER ONE.



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- 2 DR. TED EDMISTON: HELLO. GOOD MORNING. I'M DR. TED EDMISTON
- 3 FROM BELLFLOWER SPEAKING ON MY OWN. I HAVE REPRESENTED THE
- 4 CERRITOS COLLEGE BOARD DISTRICT FOR 20 YEARS. WE ARE A PART OF
- 5 THE PRESENT FOURTH DISTRICT WHERE WE HAVE BEEN WELL-
- 6 REPRESENTED. I THINK IT IMPORTANT TO CONTINUE RELATIONSHIPS
- 7 THAT DEVELOP OVER MANY YEARS AND TO CAUSE AS LITTLE WHOLESALE
- 8 DISRUPTION AS POSSIBLE TO THE WORKING FABRIC OF OUR
- 9 COMMUNITIES. THESE RELATIONSHIPS ARE THE STRENGTH OF OUR
- 10 COMMUNITY AND ARE NOT EASY TO REMAKE IN THESE HARD TIMES. IT
- 11 IS MY JUDGMENT PLAN A-3 BEST MEETS THAT CRITERIA. I RECOMMEND
- 12 THAT YOU PLEASE SUPPORT PLAN A-3.

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- 14 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU, SIR. LET ME ALSO CALL UP
- 15 ANDRE QUINTERO. ANDRE QUINTERO AND JOHN FASANA. YES, SIR?

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- 17 JAMES TUNG: MY NAME'S JAMES TUNG, I LIVE IN ROWLAND HEIGHTS.
- 18 I'M HERE TODAY TO SPEAK TO SUPPORT A-3 PLAN. I'M AN AMERICAN
- 19 AND I'M ALSO A CHINESE AMERICAN. I LIVE IN A COMMUNITY WITH
- 20 499 HOMES IN ROWLAND HEIGHTS, MANY OF OUR FAMILIES ARE
- 21 CHINESE. AND WE DO NOT EXPECT TO HAVE A CHINESE SUPERVISOR.
- 22 INSTEAD, OUR SUPERVISOR SHOULD BE WHO CAN LISTEN TO US, TAKE
- 23 CARE OF US FOR THE ENTIRE COMMUNITY. SO PLEASE SUPPORT A-3
- 24 PLAN BECAUSE IT IS BEST FOR EVERYONE. THANK YOU.



1 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU, SIR. YES?

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- 3 JAMES KANG: GOOD MORNING. MAYOR AND SUPERVISORS. I AM JAMES
- 4 KANG, GOVERNING BOARD MEMBER OF A.B.C. UNIFIED SCHOOL
- 5 DISTRICT. AND THAT COVERS ARTESIA, CERRITOS, HAWAIIAN GARDENS,
- 6 EAST LAKEWOOD AND PORTION OF LONG BEACH AND PORTION OF
- 7 NORWALK. THE COUNTY REDISTRICT IS SUPPOSED TO BE DONE NOT BY
- 8 THE THE RACIAL GATHERING BUT BY FAIR REPRESENTATION. A.B.C.
- 9 SCHOOLS DISTRICT ALLIES WITH NORWALK AND LA MIRADA AND
- 10 BELLFLOWER AND LONG BEACH AND PARAMOUNT SCHOOL DISTRICT TO GET
- 11 TOGETHER TO HAVE A GOOD REGIONAL OCCUPATION PROGRAM THAT
- 12 SUPPORTS THE STUDENT WHO WANTS TO GO TO CAREER OPPORTUNITY
- 13 AFTER HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION. THAT PROGRAM WORKS VERY WELL.
- 14 THAT GIVES A LOT OF STUDENTS A JOB. ALL IN ALL, THE COUNTY
- 15 REDISTRICT MUST BE DONE NOT BY THE REASON OF RACE OR
- 16 NATIONALITY BUT BY --

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18 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU, DOCTOR. YOUR TIME IS UP.

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20 JAMES KANG: I SUPPORT DON KNABE'S PLAN A-3. THANK YOU.

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- 22 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: LET ME ALSO CALL UP LOU LA MONTE AND
- 23 ANDRE QUINTERO. YES, SIR. ARE YOU ANDRE?

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25 ANDRE QUINTERO: I'M HERE SIR.



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2 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: OKAY.

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- 4 ANDRE QUINTERO: GOOD MORNING, MAYOR. MY NAME IS ANDRE QUINTERO
- 5 AND I'M THE ELECTED MAYOR OF THE CITY OF EL MONTE AND FORMER
- 6 TRUSTEE OF RIO HONDO COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT. FOR YEARS
- 7 I'VE ADVOCATED FOR OUTREACH PROGRAMS TO ENCOURAGE STUDENTS TO
- 8 ENROLL IN COLLEGE. THERE'S NOTHING MORE IMPORTANT TO A CHILD
- 9 THAN AN OPPORTUNITY TO LEARN, GROW AND THRIVE IN SCHOOL.
- 10 SCHOOL IS WHERE CHILDREN FIND THEMSELVES AND FIND THEIR
- 11 PURPOSE IN LIFE. WE MAY SAY WE ARE A COLOR BLIND SOCIETY, BUT
- 12 THERE ARE STILL DEEP INHERENT EDUCATIONAL INEQUALITIES BETWEEN
- 13 SCHOOLS IN THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY AND THE WEST SIDE. THESE
- 14 EDUCATIONAL DISADVANTAGES CONTINUE TO BE PERPETUATED BY THE
- 15 MARGINALIZATION OF LATINOS AT EVERY LEVEL OF GOVERNMENT. THE
- 16 ONLY WAY TO ADDRESS THESE ISSUES IS TO START AND MAINTAIN
- 17 PROGRAMS THAT HELP BRIDGE THESE SOCIOECONOMIC DIFFERENCES. IT
- 18 IS CLEAR FROM THE CENSUS THAT THE LATINO POPULATION WILL
- 19 CONTINUE TO GROW WELL BEYOND THE 48 PERCENT THAT IT IS CURRENT
- 20 AT. THEREFORE, WE SHOULD CREATE A SECOND LATINO-INFLUENCED
- 21 DISTRICT. YOU HAVE A CHANCE TO CREATE A NEW LEGACY. I
- 22 ENCOURAGE YOU TO SEIZE THIS MOMENT. HELP REDEFINE L.A.
- 23 COUNTY'S HISTORY. THANK YOU.

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25 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU, SIR. MR. FASANA?



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- 2 JOHN FASANA: YES. GOOD AFTERNOON, MAYOR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD.
- 3 I'M JOHN FASANA, I'M SPEAKING AS WELL ON BEHALF OF DUARTE'S
- 4 MAYOR, TZEITEL PARAS-CARACCI. WE WANT TO STATE THAT WE BELIEVE
- 5 IT'S IMPORTANT THAT OUR COMMUNITY AND THE CITY OF MONROVIA AND
- 6 COUNTY UNINCORPORATED AREA OF MONROVIA-ARCADIA-DUARTE CONTINUE
- 7 TO BE REPRESENTED BY THE SAME SUPERVISOR. WE'RE IN AN AREA
- 8 EXTREMELY DIVERSE. WE ARE ALSO AN AREA WITH VERY COMMON
- 9 INTERESTS. AND WE WANT TO EXPRESS OUR APPRECIATION FOR THE
- 10 SERVICE WE'VE RECEIVED FROM SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH OVER THE
- 11 YEARS. WE WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK OUT TODAY IN SUPPORT OF A-3.
- 12 THANK YOU.

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14 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. YES, SIR.

- 16 LOU LA MONTE: I'VE LOU LE MONTE, I'M A MALIBU CITY COUNCIL
- 17 MEMBER. I'M HERE IN SUPPORT OF A-3. LAST WEEK I WAS IN SAN
- 18 FRANCISCO WITH THE LEAGUE OF CALIFORNIA CITIES CONFERENCE
- 19 REPRESENTING MALIBU AND I SPOKE WITH MANY OFFICIALS OF MANY OF
- 20 THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY CITIES. EVERYONE I SPOKE TO AND MANY OF
- 21 THEM ARE HERE TODAY THOUGHT THAT THE T-1 AND THE S-2 PLANS
- 22 WERE IN EFFECT TRYING TO GERRYMANDER DIVERSITY. WE ARE ALREADY
- 23 PART OF A PROUD AND DIVERSE DISTRICT. AND WE HAVE OUR OWN
- 24 ISSUES, ISSUES THAT ARE IN COMMON WITH OUR TRADITIONAL
- 25 NEIGHBORS. PLANS S-2 AND T-1 DO NOT SEEM TO CONSIDER THE FACT



- 1 THAT MALIBU'S ISSUES ARE VASTLY DIFFERENT FROM THE OTHER BEACH
- 2 COMMUNITIES WE HAVE BEEN LUMPED TOGETHER WITH. ANYONE WHO
- 3 LIVES HERE KNOWS THE NORTH BAY AND THE SOUTH BAY HAVE
- 4 DIFFERENT INTERESTS. MAINTAINING AS CLOSE AS POSSIBLE THE
- 5 EXISTING THIRD DISTRICT LINES WOULD CONTINUE THE SUCCESS WE
- 6 HAVE ACHIEVED BY WORKING WITH OUR NATURAL NEIGHBORS ON ISSUES
- 7 AS CRITICAL AS OUR COMBINED ENVIRONMENT EFFORTS IN THE
- 8 WATERSHED AND OUR JOINT EFFORTS TO MAKE THE 101 TO P.C.H.
- 9 TRAFFIC CORRIDORS AS SAFE AS POSSIBLE. I KNOW THAT YOU'RE HERE
- 10 TO GIVE US THE RIGHT TO CHOOSE THE REPRESENTATIVES THAT WOULD
- 11 BEST SERVE OUR INTERESTS. THIS IS A VERY DIFFICULT TASK. ONE
- 12 WAY TO MAKE IT EASIER WOULD BE TO RECOGNIZE WHAT ALREADY
- 13 WORKS. OUR PRESENT THIRD DISTRICT WORKS VERY WELL NOW. AS I
- 14 HAVE SAID BEFORE, WE AIN'T BROKE. PLEASE DON'T FIX US. THANK
- 15 YOU.

- 17 GUSTAVO CAMACHO: GOOD MORNING. COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.
- 18 NAME IS GUSTAVO CAMACHO. I'M A COUNCIL MEMBER FOR THE CITY OF
- 19 PICO RIVERA. THANK YOU FOR ALLOWING ME TO SPEAK TODAY IN
- 20 SUPPORT OF WHAT IS LEGAL AND JUST FOR OUR RESIDENTS OF THE
- 21 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. TODAY WE FIND OURSELVES IN A CROSSROAD
- 22 BETWEEN WHAT WE AS ELECTED OFFICIALS AND RESIDENTS HAVE BECOME
- 23 ACCUSTOMED TO OVER THE LAST 20 YEARS. WE HAVE ENJOYED THE MANY
- 24 POSITIVE CHANGES MOST SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS HAVE
- 25 EXPERIENCED. THE REPRESENTATION OF OUR BOARD OF SUPERVISORS



- 1 WITH RESIDENTS AND ELECTED OFFICIALS CAN COME UP HERE AND
- 2 VALIDATE THEIR MANY POSITIVE CHANGES. HOWEVER, WE'RE ALSO
- 3 FACED, YOU ARE FACED WITH A TOUGH DECISION OF WHICH BY PURE
- 4 ACT OF DOING THE RIGHT THING BASED ON THE VOTERS RIGHTS ACT
- 5 LAW CREATES A DISCUSSION OF RACE. THIS IS ALL MOTIVATED BY
- 6 RACE. WHOEVER MAKES AN ARGUMENT THAT SUPPORTING T-1 OR S-2
- 7 MAPS IS PURELY BASED ON RACE IS BY ALL ACCOUNTS MISINFORMED.
- 8 THE CREATION OF LATINO OPPORTUNITY VOTING DISTRICT IS CLEARLY
- 9 A CONSEQUENCE OF THE CIVIL RIGHTS LAWS. BOTH T-1 AND S-1 MAPS
- 10 CREATE -- THANK YOU.

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12 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: SUSAN MCSWEENEY? YES, SIR. ONE MINUTE.

14 BOB ARCHULETA: GOOD MORNING, COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MY

- 15 NAME IS BOB ARCHULETA AND I AM THE MAYOR PRO TEM IN THE CITY
- 16 OF PICO RIVERA. AND I'M HERE TO SUPPORT GLORIA MOLINA'S T-1.
- 17 [APPLAUSE.] (GAVEL).

19 BOB ARCHULETA: IF I MAY CONTINUE?

21 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: YES, PLEASE.

- 23 BOB ARCHULETA: IF I MAY CONTINUE. T-1 IS FAIR AND EQUITABLE
- 24 AND THIS IS WHAT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT, BEING FAIR AND
- 25 EQUITABLE. THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HAVE A TOUGH JOB,

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- 1 NO DOUBT. BUT THERE AGAIN WE EXPECT YOU TO DEAL WITH THE TOUGH
- 2 JOB. AND IN THAT TOUGH JOB IS EQUALITY, FAIRNESS AND TO BE
- 3 FAIR TO THE 48 PERCENT LATINOS THAT ARE IN THE COUNTY OF LOS
- 4 ANGELES. [APPLAUSE.] (GAVEL). AND I KNOW YOU ALL KNOW THIS.
- 5 BUT IT'S HIGH TIME THAT WE LEVEL THE PLAYING FIELD. IT IS TIME
- 6 THAT WE COME TOGETHER AS A COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES TO RECOGNIZE
- 7 ALL OUR VETERANS, ALL OUR CITIZENS, EVERYONE WHO CONTRIBUTES
- 8 TO THIS BEAUTIFUL COUNTY. I'M A VETERAN MYSELF. PLEASE
- 9 CONSIDER T-1. [APPLAUSE.] (GAVEL).

11 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: YES, MA'AM? YES. YOU HAVE ONE MINUTE.

13 SUSAN MCSWEENEY: GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS SUSAN MCSWEENEY. I'M

- 14 HERE TODAY TO REPRESENT WOMEN OF A CERTAIN AGE THAT ARE
- 15 PROBABLY MISREPRESENTED. I KNEW THAT WOULD GET YOUR ATTENTION.
- 16 BUT I JUST WANT TO SAY THAT FROM MY EXPERIENCE IN POLITICS,
- 17 IT'S ALL ABOUT RELATIONSHIPS. WE HAVE A WONDERFUL RELATIONSHIP
- 18 WITH THE PEOPLE THAT REPRESENT US, THE PEOPLE THAT WE VOTED
- 19 FOR TO REPRESENT US AS OUR SUPERVISOR. WE HAVE ISSUES THAT ARE
- 20 A LITTLE BIT DIFFERENT THAN A LOT OF OTHER PARTS OF THE CITY.
- 21 WE HAVE A LOT OF ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES. WE HAVE A BEAUTIFUL,
- 22 BEAUTIFUL SECTION OF LAND THAT'S PART OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY
- 23 THAT SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY HAS JUST DONE A MAGNIFICENT JOB OF
- 24 KEEPING TOGETHER. IF THAT GETS SEPARATED, YOU KNOW, I DON'T
- 25 THINK THAT RELATIONSHIP WILL BE ABLE TO EVER BE REBUILT AS IT



- 1 IS AGAIN. AND I JUST WANTED TO SAY THAT I CAME DOWN FROM THE
- 2 FARTHEST CITY IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY, THE FARTHEST WEST. WE'RE
- 3 PRACTICALLY IN VENTURA COUNTY. BUT YOU KNOW WHAT? WE'VE ALWAYS
- 4 BEEN CONSIDERED FIRST-CLASS RESIDENTS OF OUR SUPERVISOR. AND I
- 5 CAN ONLY HOPE THAT THAT CONTINUES.

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7 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU.

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9 SUSAN MCSWEENEY: THANK YOU.

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- 11 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: OKAY. THAT CONCLUDES THE PUBLIC
- 12 OFFICIALS. WHAT WE'RE GOING TO DO NOW, EACH SUPERVISOR IS
- 13 GIVEN A LIST OF NAMES FOR 25 MINUTES. AND FOR 25 MINUTES,
- 14 SUPERVISOR MOLINA'S DISTRICT WILL INCLUDE CONGRESSMAN ESTEBAN
- 15 TORRES, PROFESSOR JOAQUIN AVILLA. PROFESSOR JUSTIN LEVITT,
- 16 PROFESSOR MATT MORITO, ARTURO VARGAS, AND RHONDA ORTIZ. ONE
- 17 WILL BE GIVEN TWO MINUTES. ONE WILL BE GIVEN FIVE MINUTES. ONE
- 18 WILL BE GIVEN THREE MINUTES. ONE WILL BE GIVEN 10 MINUTES. ONE
- 19 WILL BE GIVEN TWO MINUTES. AND RHONDA WILL BE GIVEN THREE
- 20 MINUTES. FIRST WILL BE CONGRESSMAN ESTEBAN -- EXCUSE ME. ERIC
- 21 GARCETTI HAS JUST ARRIVED. AND COUNCILMAN REYES HAS JUST
- 22 ARRIVED. SO LET ME ASK THOSE TWO TO COME UP BEFORE WE ASK
- 23 CONGRESSMAN ESTEBAN TORRES AND THE FIRST DISTRICT PEOPLE.
- 24 WHOEVER WANTS TO GO FIRST IS FINE.



1 ED REYES: THANK YOU.

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3 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: YOU GOT ONE MINUTE EACH, OKAY?

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- 5 ED REYES: OKAY. I'M COUNCILMAN ED REYES. CITY OF LOS ANGELES
- 6 REPRESENTING THE FIRST DISTRICT, A DISTRICT THAT WAS FORMED BY
- 7 THE COURTS FOR THE VERY SAME REASON THAT THIS NEEDS TO OCCUR,
- 8 A CHANGE AT THE COUNTY LEVEL. I AM THE THIRD REPRESENTATIVE AS
- 9 A COUNCIL MEMBER, THE FIRST WAS THEN COUNCILWOMAN GLORIA
- 10 MOLINA. AND AT THAT TIME, WE NEED TO UNDERSTAND THAT THE
- 11 DISTRICT WAS NOT BEING ADDRESSED IN A MANNER THAT SPOKE TO THE
- 12 ISSUES OF EOUITY, OF BALANCE. AT THAT TIME OUR PARKS WERE
- 13 BEING USED AS MAINTENANCE YARDS, INDUSTRIAL ZONES, OUR HOUSING
- 14 WAS DILAPIDATED. WE HAD KIDS BEING BUSSED OUT INTO THE
- 15 REGIONS, FAR REGIONS OF THE COUNTY. TODAY WE HAVE OVER 110
- 16 ACRES OF PARK SPACE. OUR PARKS ARE NOW BEING USED FOR THE
- 17 FAMILIES. WE HAVE AFFORDABLE HOUSING, COMMUNITY SERVICES. MY
- 18 POINT IS THIS: YES YOU CAN HAVE RELATIONSHIPS TODAY. BUT
- 19 WHAT'S GOING TO HAPPEN TOMORROW IS WHAT'S IMPORTANT. THE
- 20 COURTS HAVE DETERMINED THAT THE PEOPLE IN THOSE AREAS SHOULD
- 21 HAVE THE ABILITY TO DEFINE THEMSELVES. AND THAT'S ALL WE'RE
- 22 ASKING FOR, THE FREEDOM, THE RIGHT TO BE REPRESENTED BY PEOPLE
- 23 WHO LIVE IN THOSE AREAS WHO ARE CURRENTLY BEING NEGLECTED.
- 24 THANK YOU VERY MUCH.



1 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. MR. GARCETTI?

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- 3 ERIC GARCETTI: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. AND THANK YOU, BOARD, FOR
- 4 ALLOWING US TO COME HERE. WE WERE AT A COUNCIL MEETING AND WE
- 5 JUST ZIPPED OVER HERE TO BE ABLE TO BE HERE. GROWING UP I
- 6 REMEMBER BEING WITH MY GRANDFATHER AND WATCHING TELEVISION AS
- 7 A LITTLE BOY. AND IT WAS A STORY ABOUT HOW THE CITY POOLS WERE
- 8 GOING TO STAY OPEN LATE ONE SUMMER. MY GRANDFATHER, WHO GREW
- 9 UP IN BOYLE HEIGHTS, TOLD ME THE STORY ABOUT GROWING UP, WHAT
- 10 IT WAS LIKE WHEN HE WASN'T ALLOWED TO BE IN THE POOL IN
- 11 CERTAIN HOURS. HE SAID NEITHER WERE MY BLACK NEIGHBORS, SOME
- 12 OF THE JEWS, TOO, DEPENDING UPON WHO THEY WERE AND WHERE THEY
- 13 CAME FROM. WE HAVE BEFORE US A CHANCE TO MAKE HISTORY. AND I
- 14 DON'T COME HERE BEFORE YOU TO TELL YOU EXACTLY THAT IT HAS TO
- 15 BE THIS BOUNDARY OR THIS EXACT MAP. BUT WE HAVE TWO PROPOSALS,
- 16 ONE FROM GLORIA MOLINA AND ONE FROM MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS THAT
- 17 SEEK TO MAKE SURE THAT WE HAVE A FAIR PLAYING FIELD FOR
- 18 EVERYBODY. WE NEED IN THIS CITY AND IN THIS COUNTY TO MAKE
- 19 SURE THAT WE HAVE REPRESENTATION THAT MIRRORS WHAT OUR CITY IS
- 20 LIKE AND WHAT OUR COUNTY IS LIKE. WE'LL BE GOING THROUGH THE
- 21 SAME THING AND INVITE YOU THERE. BUT WITH MY EIGHT SECONDS
- 22 LEFT I URGE YOU TO PASS ONE OF THESE PROPOSALS AND TO DO THE
- 23 RIGHT THING. IT'S ABOUT LETTING EVERYBODY INTO THAT POOL.
- 24 THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]



- 1 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. NOW WE WILL CALL UP
- 2 CONGRESSMAN ESTEBAN TORRES, JOAQUIN AVILLA, PROFESSOR JUSTIN
- 3 LEVITT. AND PROFESSOR MATT BARRETO. AND EACH ONE, YOU KNOW
- 4 YOUR TIME? OKAY. SO YOU'LL BE FIRST I GUESS, WHOEVER WANTS TO
- 5 GO FIRST FOR THE TWO, FIVE, THREE, 10 SEGMENT.

- 7 ESTEBAN TORRES: GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS ESTEBAN EDWARD
- 8 TORRES. AND I AM A RETIRED UNITED STATES CONGRESSMAN. I SERVED
- 9 IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FOR 16 YEARS. AND I REMEMBER
- 10 MANY OF YOU COMING TO VISIT CAPITOL HILL DURING THAT TIME. SO
- 11 TODAY I'M HERE TO VOICE MY STRONG SUPPORT FOR THE T-1 AND THE
- 12 S-2 MAPS. THEY'RE THE ONLY MAPS THAT TRULY FULFILL THE VOTING
- 13 RIGHTS ACT OBLIGATIONS. AND THOSE OBLIGATIONS CANNOT AND MUST
- 14 NOT BE IGNORED. I SAY SO FIRMLY BECAUSE OF MY -- IN MY
- 15 LIFETIME, I HAVE SEEN HOW FAR LATINOS HAVE COME, PARTICULARLY
- 16 IN POLITICS. FOR WEEKS, SPEAKERS HERE HAVE SAID THAT THE A-3
- 17 MAP HAS POINTED OUT THAT WE HAVE LATINOS ELECTED IN OFFICE AS
- 18 EVIDENCE FOR IGNORING THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT OR PERHAPS EVEN
- 19 GETTING RID OF IT ALL TOGETHER. WHAT THEY FAIL TO ACKNOWLEDGE
- 20 IS THAT WERE IT NOT FOR THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT, WE WOULD NOT
- 21 HAVE ANY LATINOS IN OFFICE AT ALL. [APPLAUSE.] IT IS NO
- 22 COINCIDENCE THAT PRIOR TO THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT, LATINOS WERE
- 23 TREATED AS SECOND CLASS CITIZENS. IN MY OWN LIFE, MY OWN
- 24 FATHER OF MEXICAN DISSENT WAS ROUNDED UP AND DEPORTED TO
- 25 MEXICO IN THE U.S. REPATRIATION RAIDS OF THE 1930S. I NEVER



- 1 SAW MY FATHER AGAIN. AND I REMEMBER THOSE YEARS OF THE DEEP
- 2 DEPRESSION, WORLD WAR II, WHERE THOUSANDS UPON THOUSANDS OF
- 3 LATINOS SERVING IN BATTLE BUT NOT IN ELECTED OFFICE. AND I
- 4 REMEMBER WHAT HAPPENED IN CHAVEZ RAVINE. I REMEMBER WHAT
- 5 HAPPENED TO OUR NEIGHBORHOODS WHEN AUTHORITIES MOVING FULL
- 6 STEAM AHEAD WITH FREEWAY CONSTRUCTION DISPLACING ENTIRE
- 7 COMMUNITIES. AND TODAY WE DEAL WITH THE HORRENDOUS TRAFFIC,
- 8 NOISE AND POLLUTION. YES, I REMEMBER L.A. WHEN LOS ANGELES
- 9 COUNTY USED TO TREAT LATINO ENCLAVES AS A DUMPING GROUND. SO
- 10 I'M HERE TODAY TO SUPPORT MAPS. THANK YOU. YOU KNOW WHICH
- 11 MAPS. THANK YOU.

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13 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. [LAUGHTER.]

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- 15 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: YOU'RE TAKING THE TIME OF YOUR
- 16 SPEAKERS. IF YOU WANT TO SHOW SUPPORT, DO IT WITH YOUR HANDS.
- 17 YOU'RE TAKING THE TIME OF THE SPEAKERS. EACH SUPERVISOR HAS 25
- 18 MINUTES. SO PLEASE DON'T TAKE YOUR SPEAKERS' TIME. WHO'S NEXT?

- 20 JOAQUIN AVILLA: GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS JOAQUIN AVILLA. I'M A
- 21 VOTING RIGHTS ATTORNEY. I'VE BEEN DOING VOTING RIGHTS CASES
- 22 FOR ABOUT 40 YEARS NOW. I WAS INVOLVED INITIALLY AS WELL WITH
- 23 THE GARZA VERSUS L.A. COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS CASE BACK IN
- 24 THE LATE 1980S. AND I'M HERE TO EXPRESS MY OPPOSITION TO THE
- 25 PROPOSED MAP A-3 AND SUPPORTING THE MAPS THAT CREATE TWO



- 1 LATINO 50 PERCENT MAJORITY DISTRICTS. AND I'M DOING THAT
- 2 BECAUSE I'M HERE BECAUSE I WANT TO EXPRESS MY PROFESSIONAL
- 3 OPINION AS TO THE POTENTIAL VIOLATION OF SECTION 2 OF THE
- 4 FEDERAL VOTING RIGHTS ACT IF MAP A-3 IS ADOPTED. JUST VERY
- 5 BRIEFLY GOING OVER THE VARIOUS ELEMENTS OF A SECTION 2 CAUSE
- 6 OF ACTION. IT IS CLEARLY POSSIBLE TO CREATE TWO MAJORITY
- 7 LATINO DISTRICTS, EACH CONSISTING OF A LATINO C.V.A.P. OR
- 8 CITIZEN VOTING ACT POPULATION. THERE CAN BE NO SERIOUS DISPUTE
- 9 THAT THERE IS RACIALLY-POLARIZED VOTING IN L.A. COUNTY. A
- 10 FEDERAL COURT FOUND SO IN THE 1980S. THERE'S BEEN LITIGATION
- 11 IN THE 1990S AS WELL AS IN THE YEAR 2000. THE DECADE OF THE
- 12 2,000S AND ALSO AN ANALYSIS THAT ALSO SUGGESTS THAT RACIALLY-
- 13 POLARIZED VOTING IS ALIVE AND WELL IN L.A. COUNTY. IN ADDITION
- 14 TO THAT, THERE ARE OTHER ELEMENTS OF SECTION 2 THAT ARE
- 15 SATISFIED. AND FOR THAT REASON, I THINK THE COUNTY IS IN A
- 16 VERY VULNERABLE POSITION IF IT DECIDES TO GO FORWARD WITH
- 17 ADOPTING MAP A-3. THE KEY QUESTION THAT THE BOARD OF
- 18 SUPERVISORS HAS TO ASK IS WHICH SIDE OF HISTORY ARE YOU GOING
- 19 TO BE ON? ARE YOU GOING TO ENACT A TRADITION OF EVERY 10 YEARS
- 20 ENACTING A PLAN THAT HAS THE POTENTIAL DISCRIMINATORY EFFECT?
- 21 THAT IS THE TRADITION THAT I JUST CAME OUT FROM SAN ANTONIO
- 22 FINISHING UP A REDISTRICTING TRIAL OUT THERE. THAT IS A
- 23 TRADITION THAT TEXAS HAS. EVERY 10 YEARS, THE STATE
- 24 LEGISLATURE ENACTS A DISCRIMINATORY REDISTRICTING PLAN FOR THE
- 25 CONGRESS AND THE STATE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY. AND EVERY 10



- 1 YEARS A FEDERAL COURT KNOCKS THOSE PLANS DOWN. NOW, DO YOU
- 2 WANT TO BE IN THE SAME POSITION? AND I NEED TO REMIND THE
- 3 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE TREMENDOUS EXPENSE THAT'S INVOLVED
- 4 IN LITIGATION. BACK IN THE 1980S, WHEN WE WERE INVOLVED IN
- 5 GARZA VERSUS L.A. COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, THE COUNTY
- 6 SPENT WELL OVER CLOSE TO \$11 MILLION DEFENDING THE LITIGATION
- 7 AND ALSO PAYING THE PLAINTIFF'S ATTORNEYS. THERE'S NO NEED IN
- 8 THIS TIME, IN THIS AGE WHERE WE'RE ALL EXPERIENCING VERY
- 9 FRUGAL BUDGETS THAT WE SHOULD EXPEND THIS KIND OF TIME AND
- 10 RESOURCES ON LITIGATING THESE TYPES OF PLANS. AND SO FOR THAT
- 11 REASON, I THINK IT'S VERY IMPORTANT FOR THE BOARD OF
- 12 SUPERVISORS TO EXERCISE LEADERSHIP AND TO EXERCISE THAT
- 13 LEADERSHIP WITHIN THE CONTEXT OF THE DEMOGRAPHIC REALITIES
- 14 THAT WE'RE FACING HERE NOT ONLY IN THIS COUNTRY BUT HERE ALSO
- 15 IN L.A. COUNTY. WE HAVE A SUBSTANTIAL LATINO POPULATION GROWTH
- 16 NOT ONLY HERE IN L.A. COUNTY BUT ACROSS CALIFORNIA. AND IT IS
- 17 VERY IMPORTANT THAT ELECTED OFFICIALS RECOGNIZE THAT THERE IS
- 18 A NEED TO POLITICALLY INTEGRATE THIS MINORITY -- AND OTHER
- 19 MINORITIES AND OTHER PEOPLE OF COLOR BECAUSE WE ALL LIVE HERE
- 20 TOGETHER. AND WE ALL HAVE TO ADDRESS THESE ISSUES. AND THERE
- 21 ARE VERY SERIOUS ISSUES OF LACK OF LEADERSHIP AND ESPECIALLY
- 22 WITHIN THE LACK OF LEADERSHIP AS TO THE DISTRIBUTION OF, ON AN
- 23 EOUITABLE BASIS RESOURCES. AND IT ALL TIES INTO REDISTRICTING.
- 24 IT ALL TIES INTO THE RIGHT TO VOTE. SO THE KEY QUESTION THAT
- 25 YOU HAVE IS WHETHER -- WHICH SIDE OF HISTORY ARE YOU GOING TO



- 1 BE ON? ARE YOU GOING TO BE ON THE SIDE OF HISTORY WHICH
- 2 RESULTED IN D.O.J. COMING IN TO LITIGATE THIS PLAN AND TO
- 3 SPEND A COUPLE OF YEARS IN THE COURTS UNTIL WE TIMELY GOT IT
- 4 RIGHT? OR IS THIS BOARD OF SUPERVISORS GOING TO EXERCISE THE
- 5 POSITIVE LEADERSHIP THAT IS NECESSARY IN ORDER TO ADVOCATE AND
- 6 INCORPORATE THOSE COMMUNITIES THAT HERETOFORE HAVE BEEN
- 7 POLITICALLY EXCLUDED? SO THAT IS THE QUESTION THAT I HAVE FOR
- 8 YOU. WHICH SIDE OF HISTORY ARE YOU GOING TO BE ON? THANK YOU.
- 9 [APPLAUSE.]

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- 11 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: LET ME ALSO CALL UP PROFESSOR MATT
- 12 BARRETO AND ARTURO VARGAS AND RHONDA ORTIZ. YES, SIR?

- 14 MATT BARRETO: THANK YOU. MY NAME IS IS MATT BARRETO. I AM A
- 15 POLITICAL SCIENCE PROFESSOR AT THE UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON IN
- 16 SEATTLE. AND I'M HERE TODAY TO SPEAK AGAINST THE A-3 AMENDED
- 17 MAP, SPECIFICALLY TO OUTLINE THE POSSIBLE SECTION 2 VIOLATIONS
- 18 TO THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT AND THE VERY LIKELY AND REAL LAWSUIT
- 19 THAT WILL RESULT. I EARNED MY PH.D. FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF
- 20 CALIFORNIA, IRVINE JUST DOWN THE ROAD STUDYING WITH PROFESSOR
- 21 BERNARD GROFFMAN, WHO WAS ONE OF THE LEADING VOTING RIGHTS ACT
- 22 PROFESSORS IN THE UNITED STATES, HAS BEEN INVOLVED IN NUMEROUS
- 23 CASES. AND HE AND I WORKED VERY CLOSELY TOGETHER. SINCE THAT
- 24 TIME, LEARNING AND UNDERSTANDING THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT AND
- 25 EXACTLY WHEN A VIOLATION OF RACIALLY-POLARIZED VOTING OCCURS.



- 1 SINCE 1999, I HAVE BEEN WORKING EXTENSIVELY ANALYZING ELECTION
- 2 PATTERNS IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY, ORIGINALLY STARTING AS AN
- 3 RESEARCH SCHOLAR AT THE TOMAS RIVERA POLICY INSTITUTE AND THEN
- 4 FINISHING MY PH.D. WORK. WRITING MY DISSERTATION ENTIRELY
- 5 ABOUT RACIALLY-POLARIZED VOTING WHICH WAS THEN PUBLISHED AS A
- 6 BOOK BY THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN PRESS. I'VE ALSO AUTHORED
- 7 OVER 30 ARTICLES, BOOK CHAPTERS RELATED TO THESE PRACTICES. AS
- 8 I MENTIONED, I'M CURRENTLY AN ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR WITH TENURE
- 9 AT THE UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON AND A MEMBER OF THE EXECUTIVE
- 10 COMMITTEE OF THE CENTER FOR STATISTICS AND SOCIAL SCIENCE.
- 11 THIS IS SOMETHING I DON'T TAKE VERY LIGHTLY. I PUT MY ENTIRE
- 12 ACADEMIC AND PROFESSIONAL REPUTATION BEHIND THIS WHEN I MAKE
- 13 THESE STATEMENTS. AND AS MANY PEOPLE KNOW, I WAS ALSO THE
- 14 INDEPENDENT EXPERT FOR THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA CITIZEN
- 15 REDISTRICTING COMMISSION TO ADVISE THE STATE ON MATTERS OF
- 16 RACIALLY-POLARIZED VOTING. TODAY I WANT TO TALK ABOUT A COUPLE
- 17 OF DIFFERENT ISSUES. I WANT TO REVIEW THE REPORTS THAT WE HAVE
- 18 AUTHORED, SPECIFICALLY SENT TO THIS COUNTY LOOKING AT THE
- 19 HISTORY OF ELECTIONS IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY, TALK ABOUT THE
- 20 POSSIBILITIES OF ELECTABILITY OF LATINO CANDIDATES UNDER THE
- 21 A-3 AMENDED MAP, WHICH IS THE CRITERIA THAT THE COURTS WILL
- 22 USE TO DETERMINE WHETHER OR NOT IT IS LEGAL. AND THEN MOVE ON
- 23 TO DISCUSS SOME OF THE OUTLIERS OR SOME OF THE EXAMPLES THAT
- 24 HAVE BEEN USED IN THE PRESS TO DISPUTE THIS EVIDENCE. TO
- 25 START, WE REVIEWED OVER 50 ELECTIONS IN THE LAST 15 YEARS FROM



- 1 1994, 17 YEARS, TO 2010. WE REVIEWED CANDIDATE ELECTIONS,
- 2 INITIATIVE ELECTIONS. WE REVIEWED PARTISAN GENERAL ELECTIONS.
- 3 WE REVIEWED NONPARTISAN GENERAL ELECTIONS. WE REVIEWED PRIMARY
- 4 ELECTIONS AND CITY ELECTIONS. ANY ELECTIONS IN WHICH THERE WAS
- 5 A LATINO CANDIDATE OR LATINO ISSUE ON THE BALLOT RUNNING, WE
- 6 ATTEMPTED TO REVIEW EVERY SINGLE ONE OF THOSE ELECTIONS. IT IS
- 7 AN ABSOLUTE MISTAKE, BOTH A SOCIAL SCIENCE MISTAKE THAT WOULD
- 8 NEVER FLY IN ACADEMIA AND A MISTAKE BEFORE THE COURTS TO JUST
- 9 PICK AND CHOOSE A COUPLE OF CONVENIENT ELECTIONS. AND AS A
- 10 RESULT, MY ANALYSIS REVIEWED AS MANY ELECTIONS AS POSSIBLE.
- 11 ALL OF MY ANALYSIS, WHICH HAS BEEN COMPILED AND SUBMITTED AS
- 12 PART OF MINORITY REPORT IS BASED ON PUBLICLY AVAILABLE DATA.
- 13 ALL DATA THAT I USED WAS DOWNLOADED EITHER OFF THE LOS ANGELES
- 14 COUNTY ELECTIONS WEBSITE DIRECTLY OR THE U.C. BERKELEY
- 15 STATEWIDE DATABASE, BOTH OF WHICH CAN BE DOWNLOADED WITHIN
- 16 MINUTES AND RECOMPILED. ANYONE CAN GO AND GET THIS DATA. IT IS
- 17 FREELY PUBLICLY AVAILABLE. AND EVERY REPORT I HAVE EVER
- 18 AUTHORED RELATED TO THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT HAS BEEN POSTED,
- 19 PUBLICLY AVAILABLE ON MY FACULTY WEBSITE AT THE UNIVERSITY OF
- 20 WASHINGTON. THERE'S NOTHING THAT WE'RE TRYING TO HIDE. WE'RE
- 21 TRYING TO DO AS EXTENSIVE ANALYSIS AS POSSIBLE. THE COUNTY HAS
- 22 NOT PROVIDED ME WITH ANY REPORT OR ANALYSIS WHATSOEVER EXCEPT
- 23 A TWO-PAGE MEMO. ONE OF THE TASKS THAT I WAS INTERESTED IN
- 24 PERFORMING WAS TO EVALUATE THE ANALYSIS BY THE EXPERT THAT THE
- 25 COUNTY HIRED. THERE WAS NOTHING PROVIDED TO US ON THAT



- 1 CAPACITY. SO THE KEY QUESTION THAT WE NEED TO ANSWER TODAY IS
- 2 WHETHER OR NOT LATINO AND NON-LATINO VOTERS IN LOS ANGELES
- 3 COUNTY DIVERGE. AND THERE'S TWO RELEVANT POINTS HERE? NUMBER
- 4 ONE. ARE LATINOS COHESIVE? DO THEY VOTE TOGETHER AND SUPPORT
- 5 CANDIDATES OF THEIR CHOICE? OFTEN REFERRED TO AS CANDIDATES OF
- 6 THE COMMUNITY'S CHOICE. AND SECONDLY, DO NON-LATINOS OPPOSE
- 7 THOSE CANDIDATES? OR DO THEY VOTE ALONGSIDE LATINOS IN
- 8 COALITION? THROUGH REVIEWING THE 52 ELECTIONS THAT ARE
- 9 ANALYZED IN THE MINORITY REPORT AND ELSEWHERE, WE FIND
- 10 OVERWHELMING AND CONCLUSIVE EVIDENCE REGARDLESS OF THE TYPE OF
- 11 ELECTION, WHETHER IT'S STATEWIDE, COUNTY-WIDE, A PRIMARY OR A
- 12 GENERAL, PARTISAN OR NONPARTISAN, THAT THERE ARE STRONG AND
- 13 STATISTICALLY SIGNIFICANT DIFFERENCES IN THE MOST RIGOROUS
- 14 STATISTICAL ANALYSIS POSSIBLE BETWEEN THE VOTING RATES OF
- 15 LATINOS AND NON-LATINOS. NO. 1, LATINOS VOTE VERY COHESIVELY
- 16 IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND VOTE IN SUPPORT AT VERY HIGH RATES
- 17 FOR LATINO CANDIDATES, OVERWHELMING EVIDENCE OF COHESIVENESS
- 18 WHICH AS MOST PEOPLE KNOW IS ONE OF THE PRONGS THAT NEEDS TO
- 19 BE DETERMINED. NUMBER TWO, NON-LATINOS IN THE REVIEW OF THESE
- 20 OVER 50 ELECTIONS HAVE VOTED CONSISTENTLY IN OPPOSITION,
- 21 MAJORITY OPPOSITION, TO THE LATINO INTERESTS. SOMETIMES THOSE
- 22 RATES ARE AS LOW AS 10 PERCENT IN SUPPORT OF A LATINO
- 23 CANDIDATE. SOMETIMES THEY MAY GROW TO 40 OR 43 PERCENT. BUT IN
- 24 VIRTUALLY NO INSTANCE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY DO NON-LATINOS
- 25 PROVIDE OVER 50 PERCENT SUPPORT FOR A LATINO CANDIDATE OR



- 1 ISSUE, IN ALMOST NO INSTANCE DOES THAT ECLIPSE 50 PERCENT.
- 2 THIS ESTABLISHES A VERY CLEAR PATTERN OF RACIALLY-POLARIZED
- 3 VOTING IN LOS ANGELES. NOW TO THE CONTRARY THERE HAVE BEEN
- 4 RAISED SOME EXAMPLES, MOST SPECIFICALLY BACA, VILLARAIGOSA,
- 5 DELGADILLO AND NOGEZ, AS LATINO CANDIDATES WHO HAVE BEEN
- 6 SUCCESSFUL. AND THERE HAVE BEEN POINTED TO OTHER SUCCESSES AND
- 7 PHRASES SUCH AS LATINO POLITICAL SUCCESS HAVE BEEN USED. FIRST
- 8 OF ALL AS THE CONGRESSMAN PREVIOUSLY ITERATED, THE SO-CALLED
- 9 SUCCESS OF LATINOS IN LOS ANGELES IS ALMOST ENTIRELY DUE TO
- 10 THE CREATION OF MAJORITY LATINO DISTRICTS. THAT IS, YOU CAN GO
- 11 AND LOOK AT EVERY LATINO ELECTED AND WHAT PERCENTAGE OF THOSE
- 12 COME FROM AT-LARGE SYSTEMS OR FROM MAJORITY LATINO SYSTEMS?
- 13 AND IT IS OVERWHELMING. YES, THERE ARE LATINOS ELECTED TO
- 14 OFFICE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY TO VARIOUS POSTS. BUT THEY'RE
- 15 ALMOST ENTIRELY THE RESULT OF THE CREATION OF THE MAJORITY
- 16 LATINO DISTRICTS AS MANDATED BY THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT.
- 17 SECONDLY THE FOUR CANDIDATES IN QUESTION ARE NOT GOOD
- 18 EXAMPLES. THE FIRST IS THAT THESE ARE THE ONLY FOUR CANDIDATES
- 19 THAT THE COUNTY COULD DIG UP TO DISPROVE THAT RACIALLY-
- 20 POLARIZED VOTING DOESN'T EXIST. AS I MENTIONED, WE REVIEWED 52
- 21 ELECTIONS. AND THEY FOUND FOUR EXAMPLES. MORE SPECIFICALLY, AS
- 22 MOST PEOPLE KNOW, BACA, WHEN HE WAS FIRST ELECTED, RAN AGAINST
- 23 SOMEBODY WHO WAS DEAD. HE STILL DID NOT WIN A MAJORITY OF THE
- 24 NON-LATINO VOTE. NOGEZ WAS NOT THE CANDIDATE OF CHOICE OF THE
- 25 LATINO COMMUNITY. IT DOESN'T COUNT AS THE COURT'S CONSIDER



- 1 THOSE EVIDENCE. THERE HAS TO BE SOMEONE WHO SHOWED MAJORITY
- 2 SUPPORT FROM THE LATINO COMMUNITY. IF IT'S NOT A CANDIDATE
- 3 THAT LATINOS SUPPORTED, IT CANNOT BE CONSIDERED A CANDIDATE OF
- 4 THEIR CHOICE. IN FACT, THERE WERE OTHER CANDIDATES IN THAT
- 5 ASSESSOR RACE THAT LATINOS BACKED WHO WERE LATINO.
- 6 VILLARAIGOSA AND DELGADILLO. FIRST OF ALL, WE SHOULD NEVER BE
- 7 LOOKING AT SUBJURISDICTION ELECTIONS. THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES
- 8 ELECTIONS TELL US NOTHING ABOUT VOTING PATTERNS IN LONG BEACH
- 9 OR SANTA CLARITA OR POMONA OR OTHER PARTS OF THE COUNTY.
- 10 THEY'RE LARGELY IRRELEVANT. HOWEVER, EVEN LOOKING AT THOSE
- 11 ELECTIONS, THERE WAS RACIALLY- POLARIZED VOTING. AND ANTONIO
- 12 VILLARAIGOSA HAD A VERY FIERCE, VERY RACIALLY- POLARIZED
- 13 ELECTION IN 2001 AND IT WAS ONLY AS THE INCUMBENT MAYOR
- 14 PRESENTED WITH MANY SCANDALS AND OPPOSITION THAT VILLARAIGOSA
- 15 WAS ABLE TO GET ELECTED. BUT STILL IN 2005 THERE WAS EVIDENCE
- 16 OF RACIALLY-POLARIZED VOTING. IN TERMS OF DELGADILLO, IT WAS
- 17 VERY SIMILAR. WHILE HE WAS ABLE TO GET ELECTED IN 2001, IF YOU
- 18 LOOK AT ANY OTHER CONTEST THAT HE HAS ASPIRED TO RUN FOR,
- 19 INCLUDING STATEWIDE ATTORNEY GENERAL, HE HAS BEEN OPPOSED AT
- 20 EXTREMELY STRONG LEVELS BY NON-LATINOS. WHEN HE RAN AGAINST
- 21 JERRY BROWN IN 2006, WHEN HE RAN AGAINST KAMILLA HARRIS IN
- 22 2010. VOTERS IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY WHO WERE NON-LATINO VOTED
- 23 STRONGLY AGAINST ROCKY DELGADILLO WHILE LATINOS VOTED STRONGLY
- 24 IN FAVOR. NOW LET ME MOVE TO THE MYTH OF CROSSOVER VOTING. ONE
- 25 OF THE FINAL POINTS THAT HAS BEEN MADE IS THAT BECAUSE LATINO



- 1 CANDIDATES DO GET SOME LEVEL OF SUPPORT, THAT THERE'S
- 2 CROSSOVER VOTING THAT IS ABLE TO GET THEM ELECTED. FIRST OF
- 3 ALL, THERE'S NO CONSTANT AMOUNT. THERE'S NOT A MAGIC AMOUNT
- 4 THAT WE CAN JUST SAY THERE IS AN AUTOMATIC 30 PERCENT. IT'S
- 5 GOING TO VARY BASED UPON THE CANDIDATE AND THE CIRCUMSTANCES.
- 6 FURTHER, EVEN IF IT WAS 30 PERCENT AND YOU LOOK AT SOME OF
- 7 THESE DISTRICTS THAT ARE 65 PERCENT NON-LATINO, YOU CAN'T JUST
- 8 TAKE THAT 30 PERCENT POTENTIAL CROSSOVER VOTE AND ADD IT TO
- 9 THE LATINO POPULATION. YOU HAVE TO TAKE THAT 30 PERCENT
- 10 CROSSOVER VOTE OF THE NON-LATINOS. SO ONLY 30 PERCENT VOTE OF
- 11 65 PERCENT OF THE POPULATION ADDED TO PERHAPS ABOUT 70 PERCENT
- 12 OF THE VOTE OF THE REMAINING LATINO POPULATION. WHEN YOU
- 13 COMBINE THOSE ESTIMATES TOGETHER, YOU NEVER ARRIVE AT A
- 14 SOLUTION THAT ECLIPSES 50 PERCENT. WHEN YOU PUT LATINOS IN
- 15 DISTRICTS THAT ARE ONLY ABOUT 30 TO 35 PERCENT, IT IS THE
- 16 WORST EXAMPLE OF VOTE DILUTION. YOU HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO
- 17 INCREASE THE LATINO PERCENTAGE TO PROVIDE REPRESENTATION, BUT
- 18 INSTEAD, THEY'VE PUT THE LATINO PERCENTAGE RIGHT AROUND THE
- 19 MARK THAT WILL ENSURE THAT THEY CAN GET CLOSE TO 50 PERCENT
- 20 BUT NEVER OVER IT. FOR THESE REASONS, I'M SPEAKING AGAINST THE
- 21 A-3 AMENDED MAP. THANK YOU.
- 23 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: DID I ALSO CALL UP RHONDA ORTIZ? MR.
- 24 CHAIRMAN?

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1 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: HOLD THEIR TIME. I WOULD JUST, BECAUSE WE

2 HAVE PROFESSOR BARRETO HERE. STAY HERE A SECOND. I APPRECIATE

3 YOUR PRESENTATION. COULD YOU EXPLAIN THE CONO DECISION OF

4 2001, OR 2, WHATEVER YEAR IT WAS, AND HOW THAT RELATES TO THE

5 WAY YOU'VE DESCRIBED POLARIZED VOTING OR DEFINED IT? THANKS.

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7 MATT BARRETO: IF YOU LOOK AT THE CONO DECISION, THE MOST

8 RECENT DECISION THE COURTS MADE IN THIS CASE, THE FIRST IS

9 THAT IT IS AN ABSOLUTE MISTAKE TO CONCLUDE THAT THE COURTS

10 FOUND THAT RACIALLY-POLARIZED VOTING DID NOT EXIST IN CONO.

11 THAT IS NOT WHAT THEY SAID. IN CONO, THE COURTS SAID THAT THE

12 EVIDENCE WAS NOT GATHERED IN THE APPROPRIATE WAY THAT THE

13 COURTS REQUESTED TO EVEN EVALUATE WHETHER OR NOT RACIALLY-

14 POLARIZED VOTING EXISTED. THE EXPERT AT THAT TIME PROVIDED

15 SOME NEW METHODOLOGIES THAT WERE INCONSISTENT WITH PREVIOUS

16 RESEARCH METHODOLOGIES. THEY USED HYPOTHETICAL PROJECTIONS.

17 THEY LOOKED ONLY AT DEMOCRATIC REGISTRATION NUMBERS AND TRIED

18 TO PROJECT LATINO VOTING STRENGTH AND WEAKNESS. AND IF YOU

19 READ THE CONO DECISION THERE ARE ABOUT 15 PAGES SPECIFICALLY

20 RELATED TO RACIALLY- POLARIZED VOTING. NOWHERE IS THE FINDING

21 THAT RACIALLY-POLARIZED VOTING DOES NOT EXIST IN LOS ANGELES

22 COUNTY. RATHER, THAT THAT BURDEN OF PROVING IT WAS NOT MET BY

23 THE ANALYSIS THAT WAS CONDUCTED IN THAT INSTANCE. AND SO WHAT

24 HAPPENS IS THAT IF SOMEBODY COMES ALONG AND RE-ANALYZES ALL

25 THOSE ELECTIONS AND FOLLOWS ALL OF THE STEPS THAT THE COURT



- 1 HAS OUTLINED THAT NEED TO BE DONE, LOOKING AT ECOLOGICAL
- 2 REGRESSION, ECOLOGICAL INFERENCE, HOMOGENOUS PRECINCTS,
- 3 SCATTER PLOTS, CORRELATIONS, THERE ARE SPECIFIC METHODOLOGIES
- 4 THAT THE COURT HAS SAID YOU MUST USE. THAT'S EXACTLY THE
- 5 METHODOLOGY THAT WE HAVE USED. THAT'S THE EXACT METHODOLOGY
- 6 THAT I HAVE USED AND IN FACT PIONEERED AND PUBLISHED SOME
- 7 RESEARCH ARTICLES SPECIFICALLY ABOUT VOTING RIGHTS ACT
- 8 METHODOLOGY WITH PROFESSOR GROFFMAN. WHEN YOU USE THOSE
- 9 METHODOLOGIES AND REVIEW THOSE ELECTIONS, YOU ARRIVE AT THE
- 10 CONCLUSION THAT IN EVERY INSTANCE THERE IS STATISTICALLY
- 11 SIGNIFICANT RACIALLY-POLARIZED VOTING. AND SO MY OWN REVIEW AS
- 12 A SOCIAL SCIENTIST OF CONO AND NOT AS A LEGAL SCHOLAR IS THAT
- 13 THE EVIDENCE THAT WAS MARSHALED, THE EVIDENCE THAT WAS
- 14 GATHERED AND THE WAY IN WHICH IT WAS ANALYZED, THE
- 15 METHODOLOGY, WAS NOT APPROPRIATE AND THAT WAS THE COURT'S
- 16 DECISION. THAT IF DIFFERENT EVIDENCE HAD BEEN ANALYZED
- 17 APPROPRIATELY, IT IS VERY POSSIBLE THAT THE COURT WOULD HAVE
- 18 SAID YES, THERE IS VERY STRONG EVIDENCE OF RACIALLY- POLARIZED
- 19 VOTING. BUT THEY DID NOT CONCLUDE THAT THERE IS NO POLARIZED
- 20 VOTING IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY.

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- 22 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: CAN I ASK YOU? COULD YOU JUST RESPOND TO
- 23 THAT? OUR COUNSEL, LAURA BRILL, ON THIS.



- 1 LAURA BRILL: THANK YOU. I THINK THERE'S NO DOUBT THAT
- 2 PROFESSOR BARRETO'S DONE A GREAT DEAL OF WORK AND THAT HIS
- 3 VIEWS ARE VERY STRONGLY AND SINCERELY FELT. I DO THINK THEY DO
- 4 NOT REFLECT A CORRECT VIEW OF THE LAW AND WITH RESPECT TO HOW
- 5 POLARIZED VOTING AFFECTS THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT ANALYSIS. IT IS
- 6 NOT THE CASE THAT EVERY TIME YOU'RE IN A JURISDICTION IN WHICH
- 7 THERE MIGHT BE SOME DEGREE OF DIFFERENCE WITH RESPECT TO HOW
- 8 DIFFERENT GROUPS VOTE, THAT THAT MEANS YOU HAVE TO CREATE A
- 9 MAJORITY/MINORITY DISTRICT. THERE'S NO DOUBT THAT THE COUNTY
- 10 HAS TO COMPLY WITH THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT, AND THAT MEANS TO
- 11 CREATE A FAIR OPPORTUNITY FOR MINORITIES TO ELECT CANDIDATES
- 12 OF CHOICE. BUT IT DOES NOT MEAN THAT EVERY TIME THERE'S SOME
- 13 DIFFERENCE IN HOW DIFFERENT GROUPS VOTE, THAT YOU HAVE AN
- 14 OBLIGATION TO CREATE A MAJORITY/MINORITY DISTRICT IN ORDER TO
- 15 MAKE THAT HAPPEN. AND SO AS AN EXAMPLE, RACIALLY- POLARIZED
- 16 VOTING ONLY MEANS THAT AS MR. BARRETO IS USING IT, PROFESSOR
- 17 BARRETO, SORRY, ONLY MEANS THAT THERE'S SOME DIFFERENCE IN HOW
- 18 GROUPS VOTE. BUT IF YOU HAVE HIGH LEVELS OF COHESION AMONG
- 19 LATINOS, FOR EXAMPLE, AS PROFESSOR BARRETO SAYS EXISTS AND YOU
- 20 ALSO HAVE SUBSTANTIAL CROSSOVER VOTING OF NON-LATINOS THEN IT
- 21 MAY BE POSSIBLE TO ELECT CANDIDATES OF CHOICE OF LATINO VOTERS
- 22 IN DISTRICTS WITH LOWER THAN 50 PERCENT MAJORITY CITIZEN
- 23 VOTING AGE POPULATIONS. IN THE CONO CASE WHICH I THINK YOU'RE
- 24 SPECIFICALLY ASKING ABOUT, THERE WAS A FOCUS ON TWO DISTRICTS
- 25 THAT WERE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. ONE WAS THE DISTRICT OF



- 1 CONGRESSMAN HOWARD BERMAN. AND THE COURT LOOKED AT WHETHER
- 2 LATINO CANDIDATES OF CHOICE, RATHER, HAD A FAIR OPPORTUNITY TO
- 3 TO BE ELECTED IN THAT DISTRICT. AND THE COURT LOOKED AT A HUGE
- 4 AMOUNT OF DATA ABOUT THE ABILITY OF LATINOS TO ELECT
- 5 CANDIDATES OF CHOICE. AND IT FOUND ONLY ONE ELECTION OVER A
- 6 LARGE NUMBER OF ELECTIONS IN WHICH THE LATINO CANDIDATE OF
- 7 CHOICE WAS NOT ELECTED IN THAT DISTRICT, HOWARD BERMAN'S
- 8 DISTRICT. AND THAT'S WHY THE COURTS GRANTED SUMMARY JUDGMENT
- 9 IN FAVOR OF THE DEFENDANTS AND SAID THAT LATINOS DID HAVE A
- 10 FAIR OPPORTUNITY TO ELECTED CANDIDATES OF CHOICE IN THAT
- 11 DISTRICT EVEN THOUGH THERE WAS FAR LESS THAN A MAJORITY LATINO
- 12 CITIZEN VOTING-AGE POPULATION. THERE WAS ANOTHER DISTRICT THEN
- 13 HELD BY BETTY CARNET, WHICH WAS A STATE SENATE DISTRICT. AND
- 14 IN THAT DISTRICT, ALSO LOOKING AT A GREAT AMOUNT OF DATA, THE
- 15 COURT FOUND NO INSTANCES IN WHICH THE LATINO CANDIDATE OF
- 16 CHOICE HAD NOT BEEN ELECTED. AND THAT DISTRICT ALSO HAD A FAR
- 17 LOWER PERCENTAGE OF LATINO CITIZEN VOTING AGE POPULATION THAN
- 18 50 PERCENT.

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20 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: OKAY. THANK YOU. THANK YOU, PROFESSOR?

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22 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: SUPERVISOR MOLINA?

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24 SUP. MOLINA: MAY I ASK PROFESSOR BARRETO TO RESPOND TO THAT?



- 1 MATT BARRETO: YEAH. THERE'S TWO ADDITIONAL POINTS THAT ARE
- 2 VERY IMPORTANT IN THE CONO DECISION AND AS YOU ALL CONSIDER
- 3 THE FUTURE OF THIS REDISTRICTING EFFORT. THE FIRST IS THAT
- 4 THAT ELECTABILITY ANALYSIS AT THAT DISTRICT-WIDE LEVEL WAS NOT
- 5 PERFORMED. SOME OF THOSE ELECTIONS BEING REFERRED TO WERE ONES
- 6 THAT WERE SUB-JURISDICTION ELECTIONS. AND SO PERHAPS IN THE
- 7 ENTIRETY OF THAT CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT THEY FOCUSED ON A
- 8 PERSON WHO WAS SUCCESSFULLY ELECTED TO A SCHOOL BOARD OR A
- 9 CITY COUNCIL THAT MAYBE DID HAVE A LARGE LATINO POPULATION.
- 10 BUT HERE WE HAVE TO LOOK AT THE ENTIRE DISTRICT POPULATION AND
- 11 SEE WHETHER OR NOT LATINOS WOULD BE ELECTABLE. BECAUSE IT IS
- 12 TRUE IF LATINOS ARE ELECTABLE WITH VERY STRONG CROSSOVER VOTE
- 13 THAT THERE MAY NOT BE A SECTION 2 VIOLATION. THE EVIDENCE THAT
- 14 WE HAVE GATHERED DOES A TYPE OF ANALYSIS CALLED THE
- 15 ELECTABILITY ANALYSIS. IT RECOMPILES ALL OF THE PRECINCTS INTO
- 16 THE PROPOSED A-3 MAP THAT YOU HAVE PROPOSED AND SAYS: HOW
- 17 WOULD THESE LATINO CANDIDATES FARE? NOT AT SOME SMALLER LOCAL
- 18 SCHOOL BOARD OR WATER DISTRICT OR CITY COUNCIL ELECTION, BUT
- 19 WITHIN THE ENTIRETY OF ONE-FIFTH OF THE COUNTY. AND THOSE
- 20 CANDIDATES WHO HAVE RUN IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY BEFORE, WHETHER
- 21 FOR STATEWIDE OR COUNTY OFFICE, HAVE NOT BEEN ABLE TO ECLIPSE
- 22 50 PERCENT. SO THEY ARE NOT ELECTABLE UNDER THE CURRENT A-3
- 23 MAP. THAT IS THE EXACT ELECTABILITY ANALYSIS THAT HAS TO TAKE
- 24 PLACE. BECAUSE THAT IS THE KEY TO PROVING WHETHER OR NOT THERE
- 25 IS ENOUGH CROSSOVER VOTE, WHICH THERE COULD BE, OR WHETHER



- 1 THERE ISN'T. AND IN THE ELECTABILITY ANALYSIS, IT CLEARLY
- 2 DEMONSTRATES THAT UNDER THE CURRENT A-3 MAP, TWO LATINOS ARE
- 3 NOT ABLE TO GET ELECTED WITH THE DATA THAT HAS BEEN PUBLICLY
- 4 PROVIDED BY L.A. COUNTY.

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6 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: OKAY. WE'LL GO BACK. SUPERVISOR?

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- 8 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: ON THE CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT, ON THE CONO
- 9 CASE IT WASN'T JUST SUBJURISDICTIONAL ELECTIONS THAT WERE
- 10 CONSIDERED, WAS IT, PROFESSOR? WAS THE 2001 MAYOR'S RACE. AND
- 11 I THINK THE ENTIRE CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT WITH THE EXCEPTION
- 12 OF THE CITY OF SAN FERNANDO, WHICH IS A VERY SMALL PART OF
- 13 THAT DISTRICT, WAS IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES? DIDN'T MAYOR
- 14 VILLARAIGOSA WIN IN THAT DISTRICT?

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- 16 MATT BARRETO: THERE WERE A NUMBER OF ELECTIONS THAT WERE
- 17 CONSIDERED IN THAT CASE. I DON'T KNOW SPECIFICALLY THE
- 18 VILLARAIGOSA OUTCOME. I HAVEN'T ANALYZED THE VILLARAIGOSA
- 19 OUTCOME IN BERMAN'S DISTRICT.

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- 21 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: DO YOU RECALL THAT MAYOR VILLARAIGOSA, OR HE
- 22 WAS THEN COUNCILMAN VILLARAIGOSA, FILED AN AFFIDAVIT IN THE
- 23 CONO CASE?



- 1 MATT BARRETO: I WASN'T WORKING FOR HIM AT THE TIME. I DON'T
- 2 KNOW WHAT HE DID.

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- 4 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: OKAY. I THINK HE DID. AND ON THE SIDE OF THE
- 5 DEFENDANTS IN THAT CASE, I BELIEVE THAT'S THE CASE. I READ IT.
- 6 IT'S BEEN 10 YEARS. BUT I BELIEVE HE WON IN 2001 IN THAT
- 7 DISTRICT WHEN HE LOST CITYWIDE AND HE WON AGAIN IN 2005 IN
- 8 THAT DISTRICT WHEN HE WON CITYWIDE.

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10 LAURA BRILL: THAT'S CORRECT. SUPERVISOR.

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- 12 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: ANYWAY, I KNOW THIS COULD GO ON FOREVER. BUT
- 13 I APPRECIATE -- I'VE READ A LOT OF YOUR STUFF IN THE LAST MANY
- 14 MONTHS. THAT DOESN'T ENDEAR ME TO YOU. BUT IT'S HIGHLY
- 15 TECHNICAL STUFF. BUT I THINK YOU DO HAVE A GREAT REPUTATION.
- 16 YOU DO GREAT WORK. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY.

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18 MATT BARRETO: THANK YOU.

- 20 RHONDA ORTIZ: GOOD AFTERNOON MAYOR ANTONOVICH AND MEMBERS OF
- 21 THE BOARD. MY NAME IS RHONDA ORTIZ AND I AM WITH THE PROGRAM
- 22 FOR ENVIRONMENTAL AND REGIONAL EQUITY RESEARCH CENTER AT
- 23 U.S.C. HEADED BY MANUEL PASTOR. WHILE MANY ANALYSTS WILL FOCUS
- 24 ON THE ETHNIC DEMOGRAPHICS OF THE DISTRICTS, PER SE, WE WOULD
- 25 SUGGEST THAT THAT THE COMMUNITIES OF THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY



- 1 AND GATEWAY CITIES JOIN TOGETHER ON THE PROPOSED DISTRICT 3 ON
- 2 THE T-1 MAP RECOMMENDED BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA AND TO A SIMILAR
- 3 BUT LESSER DEGREE IN THE S-2 MAP RECOMMENDED BY SUPERVISOR
- 4 RIDLEY-THOMAS ARE ALSO LINKED IN THREE WAYS. THEY FACE SIMILAR
- 5 ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS, ESPECIALLY IN TERMS OF SIGNIFICANT
- 6 EXPOSURE TO AIR QUALITY AND HAZARDS. THEY HOST A NUMBER OF
- 7 COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS WORKING TOGETHER ON THESE
- 8 ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERNS. AND THEY CONTAIN A LARGE SHARE OF
- 9 LATINOS, A POPULATION THAT RECENT POLLING HAS SHOWN TO EXHIBIT
- 10 A HIGHER CONCERN ABOUT THE ENVIRONMENT THAN CALIFORNIANS AS A
- 11 WHOLE. BASED ON RESEARCH FUNDED BY THE CALIFORNIA AIR
- 12 RESOURCES BOARD, WE HAVE MAPPED L.A. COUNTY BASED ON PROXIMITY
- 13 TO HAZARDS IN AIR QUALITY AND THE RESULTS SHOW THERE ARE
- 14 SIMILARITIES IN THE ACCESS RUNNING FROM THE GATEWAY CITIES
- 15 THROUGH EAST L.A. AND UP TO THE EASTERN SAN FERNANDO VALLEY
- 16 AND THAT THE T-1 MAP TENDS TO BRING TOGETHER PEOPLE WITH
- 17 COMMON ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERNS. INCLUDED ON THE MAP IS EACH
- 18 DISTRICT'S COEFFICIENT OF VARIATION, WHICH I WILL SUBMIT TO
- 19 YOU LATER, WHICH TELLS US HOW SIMILAR OR DIFFERENT THE TRACKS
- 20 ARE WITHIN EACH DISTRICT IN TERMS OF EXPOSURE. YOU CAN SEE ON
- 21 THE MAPS THAT DISTRICT 3 ON THE T-1 MAP IS THE ONE WITH THE
- 22 LEAST VARIATION OR THE ONE WITH MOST COMMONALITIES IN TERMS OF
- 23 HAZARD PROXIMITY AND SENSITIVE LAND USES, THAT S-2 IS A CLOSE
- 24 SECOND AND A-3 IS A DISTANT THIRD IN TERMS OF COMMONALITIES.
- 25 SO WHEN IT COMES TO ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES LIKE AIR QUALITY AND



- 1 PROXIMITY TO HAZARDS, THE T-1 AND S-2 MAPS, BUT EVEN MORE SO
- 2 ON THE T-1 MAP, CONNECTS COMMUNITIES BY THEIR COMMONALITIES,
- 3 WHEREAS THE A-3 MAP SEPARATES THEM. COMMUNITIES ON THE GROUND
- 4 IN THE PROPOSED DISTRICT 3 ON THE T-1 MAP ARE ALREADY KEENLY
- 5 AWARE OF THEIR COMMONALITIES. A REPORT BY THE LIBERTY HILL
- 6 FOUNDATION, HIDDEN HAZARDS, PROFILES THE WORK OF SIX
- 7 ORGANIZATIONS WORKING TOGETHER TO TRANSFORM L.A. COMMUNITIES
- 8 MOST IMPACTED BY INDUSTRIAL POLLUTION INTO VIBRANT AND HEALTHY
- 9 PLACES FOR FAMILIES. AMONG THE ORGANIZATIONS INCLUDE FOUR IN
- 10 THE PROPOSED DISTRICT 3 ON THE T-1 MAP IN PACOIMA, BOYLE
- 11 HEIGHTS, HUNTINGTON PARK, AND COMMERCE. LATINOS COMMUNITIES IN
- 12 THESE AREAS CARE VERY DEEPLY ABOUT THE ENVIRONMENT, INDEED
- 13 MORE DEEPLY THAN OTHER CALIFORNIANS. IN A POLL CONDUCTED LAST
- 14 NOVEMBER BY U.S.C. AND THE L.A. TIMES, WE FOUND AMONG OTHER
- 15 INDICATORS THAT 50 PERCENT OF LATINOS WORRY A GREAT DEAL ABOUT
- 16 GLOBAL WARMING, AS COMPARED TO 26 PERCENT OF NON-HISPANIC
- 17 WHITES. THIS IS NOT A NEW FINDING. THE MOST RECENT STATEWIDE
- 18 SURVEY BY THE PUBLIC POLICY INSTITUTE OF CALIFORNIA FOUND THAT
- 19 BLACKS AND LATINOS AT ABOUT 41 PERCENT ARE MORE LIKELY THAN
- 20 ASIAN AMERICANS AND WHITES AT 19 PERCENT TO CONSIDER REGIONAL
- 21 AIR POLLUTION A SERIOUS HEALTH THREAT. P.P.I.C. ALSO FOUND
- 22 THAT LATINOS OPPOSE OIL DRILLING OFF THE CALIFORNIA COAST AND
- 23 NUCLEAR POWER PLANTS MORE SO THAN WHITES AND THAT LATINOS WERE
- 24 MORE LIKELY THAN WHITES TO SAY THAT DAMAGE TO THE SIERRA
- 25 MOUNTAINS FROM URBAN GROWTH AND AIR POLLUTION WAS A BIG



- 1 PROBLEM. MORE POLLUTED, MORE CONCERNED ABOUT THE ENVIRONMENT
- 2 AND ALREADY WORKING ACROSS THE GEOGRAPHY TO CREATE A CLEANER
- 3 L.A., THIS IS A SET OF COMMUNITIES BOUND TOGETHER BY MORE THAN
- 4 THE NATIONAL ORIGINS OF THEMSELVES.

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6 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: YOU'RE ON YOUR 25 MINUTE LIMIT.

- 8 ARTURO VARGAS: GOOD MORNING, MY NAME IS ARTURO VARGAS, I'M THE
- 9 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE L.A. EDUCATIONAL FUND. IN PAST
- 10 TESTIMONY BEFORE THIS BOARD WE HAVE EMPHASIZED THE NEED FOR A
- 11 REDISTRICTING PLAN THAT COMPLIES WITH THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT.
- 12 IN THIS TESTIMONY, WE WILL PRESENT EVIDENCE THAT LATINOS STILL
- 13 CONFRONT BARRIERS TO ACHIEVING FULL FAIR REPRESENTATION
- 14 THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES AND THAT THERE IS
- 15 CONTINUED EXISTENCE OF DISCRIMINATION AGAINST LATINOS IN THE
- 16 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES IN THE ELECTORAL PROCESS. THE FACT
- 17 REMAINS THAT WHILE PROGRESS HAS BEEN ACHIEVED, WE HAVE NOT YET
- 18 REACHED THE DAY WHEN VOTING RIGHTS ACT AND CIVIL RIGHTS LAWS
- 19 CAN BE DISMISSED. ONE INDICATOR OF THE BARRIERS LOS ANGELES
- 20 COUNTY LATINOS FACE IN ACHIEVING FAIR REPRESENTATION IS THE
- 21 LACK OF LATINOS SERVING ON LOCAL CITY COUNCILS IN CITIES IN
- 22 L.A. COUNTY WITH SIGNIFICANT LATINO ELECTORATES. AS OUR
- 23 TESTIMONY LOS ANGELES COUNTY IS RIFE WITH CITIES WITH MAJORITY
- 24 OR NEAR MAJORITY LATINO CITIZEN VOTING AGE POPULATIONS WHERE
- 25 THERE IS NO OR ONLY ONE LATINO SERVING ON THE CITY COUNCIL.

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- 1 THESE CITIES INCLUDE THE CITIES OF WHITTIER, WEST COVINA,
- 2 LAWNDALE, DUARTE, PALMDALE, CARSON, LANCASTER, ARTESIA,
- 3 PASADENA AND LONG BEACH. IN ADDITION, THERE IS EVIDENCE THAT
- 4 LATINOS CONTINUE TO FACE BARRIERS IN ELECTORAL PARTICIPATION
- 5 IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. OUR TESTIMONY INCLUDES THE SUMMARY OF
- 6 RESEARCH THAT WE HAVE CONDUCTED THAT WE DID IN ASSOCIATION
- 7 WITH THE RE-AUTHORIZATION OF THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT IN 2006 IN
- 8 WHICH LATINO ELECTED OFFICIALS RESPONDED THAT THEY HAD
- 9 EXPERIENCED PERSONALLY OR OBSERVED DISCRIMINATION AGAINST THEM
- 10 BECAUSE THEY ARE LATINOS IN THE ELECTORAL PROCESS HERE IN LOS
- 11 ANGELES COUNTY. NEARLY THREE FOURTHS OF THOSE WE SURVEYED HAVE
- 12 PERSONALLY EXPERIENCED OR OBSERVED DISCRIMINATION ACTIVITIES
- 13 RELATED TO RUNNING FOR OR HOLDING PUBLIC OFFICE. THE MOST
- 14 PREVALENT TYPES OF DISCRIMINATION IDENTIFIED BY THOSE
- 15 RESPONDENTS WERE RELATED TO CAMPAIGNING, RACIALLY-POLARIZED
- 16 VOTING, RACIAL OR ETHNIC APPEALS MADE THROUGH THE ELECTION
- 17 PROCESS AND THE REDISTRICTING AND DISTRICT BOUNDARY PROCESS.
- 18 THE EVIDENCE IS CLEAR AND STRONG THAT DISCRIMINATION CONTINUES
- 19 IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES AGAINST LATINOS. THERE CONTINUE
- 20 TO BE BARRIERS TO LATINOS BEING ELECTED IN THE COUNTY. THE DAY
- 21 IS NOT YET HERE TO DISMISS THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT. THANK YOU.
- 23 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU, SIR. I UNDERSTAND PROFESSOR
- 24 LEVITT WILL HAVE ONE MINUTE. THAT'S THE TIME REMAINING. IS HE
- 25 HERE OR IS HE STILL STUCK IN TRAFFIC? IF HE'S STUCK IN



- 1 TRAFFIC, WHEN HE COMES, WE'LL ASK MR. LEVITT, PROFESSOR LEVITT
- 2 TO SPEAK. SO YOU'LL LET ME KNOW WHEN HE SHOWS UP.

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- 4 SUP. MOLINA: ALL RIGHT. DO YOU WANT TO CALL THE OTHERS,
- 5 MICHAEL? WE HAVE OTHERS.

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- 7 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: YES. THOSE ARE ALL YOURS, THOSE ARE
- 8 YOUR SIX. AIDE CASTRO? JACKIE DUPONT WALKER? JOHN KENNEDY.
- 9 JESUS ESCONDON? THIS IS PART OF THE SECOND DISTRICT'S
- 10 PRESENTATION.

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12 SUP. MOLINA: DR. LEVITT IS HERE.

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- 14 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: DR. LEVITT IS HERE. I'M GOING TO LET
- 15 DR. LEVITT SPEAK FOR HIS MINUTE FIRST AND THEN YOU SIT DOWN,
- 16 JOHN. LET DR. LEVITT HAVE ONE OF THE CHAIRS. DR. LEVITT,
- 17 YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE ONE MINUTE.

- 19 JUSTIN LEVITT: YES, SIR. THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR. I VERY MUCH
- 20 APPRECIATE THE TIME. IN MY ONE MINUTE I WANT TO EMPHASIZE THAT
- 21 YOU HAVE A CHOICE TODAY. ON THE ONE HAND THE LINES THAT
- 22 PURPORT ABOVE ALL ELSE TO PRESERVE THE PAST AND THAT RISK
- 23 LITIGATION AND EXPENSE THAT I AND ALL OF MY FELLOW L.A. COUNTY
- 24 TAXPAYERS WILL HAVE TO BEAR. AND ON THE OTHER HAND IS A MORE
- 25 PROMISING PATH, A MAP THAT ACTUALLY REFLECTS THE DEMOGRAPHIC



- 1 REALITY OF THE COUNTY AND LIVES UP TO A SHARED FUNDAMENTAL
- 2 LEGAL COMMITMENT TO EQUITABLE REPRESENTATION. IT'S CLEAR THAT
- 3 IT'S POSSIBLE TO DRAW TWO DISTRICTS IN L.A. WHERE A LATINO
- 4 COMMUNITY HAS THE EFFECTIVE OPPORTUNITY TO ELECT CANDIDATES OF
- 5 CHOICE. IT'S ALSO CLEAR FROM ALL OF THE EVIDENCE THAT I'VE
- 6 SEEN THAT'S PUBLICLY AVAILABLE, INCLUDING THE 414 PAGES THAT
- 7 WE SUBMITTED BEFORE YOU ALREADY, THAT THIS IS A LEGAL
- 8 OBLIGATION, THAT FEDERAL LAW IMPOSES, THAT STATE LAW IMPOSES
- 9 THAT YOU MUST CONSIDER. AND CHIEF JUDGE KACZYNSKI PUT IT BEST
- 10 WHEN HE STATED THE DYNAMIC AT WORK HERE. IN 1990 HE SAID WHEN
- 11 THE DUST IS SETTLED AND LOCAL PASSIONS HAVE COOLED, THIS CASE
- 12 WILL BE REMEMBERED FOR ITS LUCID DEMONSTRATION THAT ELECTED
- 13 OFFICIALS ENGAGED IN THE SINGLE-MINDED PURSUIT OF INCUMBENCY
- 14 CAN RUN ROUGHSHOD OVER THE RIGHTS OF PROTECTED MINORITIES. ONE
- 15 OF YOUR OPTIONS WOULD REPEAT THAT UNFORTUNATE PRACTICE. THE
- 16 OTHER WOULD MAKE HISTORY BY DOING THE RIGHT THING FOR THE VERY
- 17 FIRST TIME AND I URGE YOU TO TAKE THAT SECOND COURSE.

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19 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: OKAY, THANK YOU.

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21 SUP. MOLINA: THANK YOU.

- 23 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: ALSO LET ME THEN CALL UP DR. HECTOR
- 24 FLORES? DR. HECTOR FLORES? OKAY. YES, MA'AM. YOU CAN GO FIRST.



I EACH OF YOU HAVE ONE MINUTE? AND THIS IS FROM THE SECOND

2 SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT. WE HAVE A LIST FOR ONE MINUTE EACH.

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- 4 AIDE CASTRO: THANK YOU SIR. MY NAME IS AIDE CASTRO, I SERVE AS
- 5 THE MAYOR OF LYNWOOD AND I AM HERE ONCE AGAIN TO RESTATE MY
- 6 SUPPORT FOR THE T-1 AND S-2 MAPS. AS I EXPRESSED PREVIOUSLY
- 7 THE CITY OF LYNWOOD HAS UNDERGONE MAJOR DEMOGRAPHIC CHANGES IN
- 8 THE PAST GENERATION, MOSTLY BLACK AND LATINO RESIDENTS NOW
- 9 POPULATE LYNWOOD, JUST LIKE SO MANY OTHER CITIES IN THE
- 10 SOUTHEAST LOS ANGELES COUNTY. THE VOTING POWER OF BOTH THESE
- 11 GROUPS, AS WITH ALL ETHNIC MINORITY GROUPS, MUST BE PROTECTED
- 12 ACCORDING TO THE VOTERS RIGHT ACT. BUT WITH A-3 MAP, LATINO
- 13 VOTING POWER WILL BE DELIBERATELY DILUTED. I URGE YOU TO
- 14 FOLLOW THE NUMBERS AND FOLLOW THE LAW. AND WITH ALL DUE
- 15 RESPECT TO THE COUNTY COUNSEL, LET ME REMIND YOU: HOW DID
- 16 SUPERVISOR MOLINA GET HER DISTRICT? AND IT WAS THROUGH A
- 17 COURT. IT HAS ALREADY BEEN DECIDED. DO NOT REPEAT HISTORY. DO
- 18 NOT WASTE MY TAX DOLLARS ON FRIVOLOUS LITIGATION. AND DO
- 19 WHAT'S RIGHT FOR THIS COMMUNITY AND FOR ALL OF LOS ANGELES
- 20 COUNTY. I THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS AND
- 21 SUPERVISOR GLORIA MOLINA FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP, BLACK AND BROWN
- 22 UNITED.

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24 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. MR. KENNEDY.



- 1 JOHN KENNEDY: MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, MY NAME IS
- 2 JOHN KENNEDY, SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
- 3 URBAN LEAGUE. OUR AGENCY'S MISSION IS TO ADVANCE THE ECONOMIC,
- 4 EDUCATIONAL AND ENTREPRENEURIAL INTERESTS OF AFRICAN-AMERICANS
- 5 AND OTHER MINORITIES. WE MAINTAIN EFFECTIVE RELATIONS WITH OUR
- 6 ELECTED OFFICIALS. REDISTRICTING CAN BE AN EMPOWERING OR
- 7 DISRUPTIVE PROCESS. SO CAN ELECTIONS. AMERICAN DEMOCRACY IS
- 8 INHERENTLY DISRUPTIVE OF THE STATUS QUO. WE DO NOT FEAR CHANGE
- 9 TO THE MAP BOUNDARIES OR IMPACT ON OUR ABILITY TO ACCESS
- 10 RESOURCES OR DELIVERY OF SERVICES. THE SERVICE PLANNING AREA
- 11 REMAINS THE SAME. WE ARE CONFIDENT THAT THE BOARD OF
- 12 SUPERVISORS WILL MAKE THE ADJUSTMENTS NECESSARY FOR A SEAMLESS
- 13 TRANSITION AS WAS THE CASE WITH THE ELECTION OF THE CURRENT
- 14 SUPERVISOR IN THE SECOND DISTRICT IN 2008. THIS WAS THE FIRST
- 15 CHANGE IN COMPOSITION OF THE BOARD SINCE 1996.

17 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU, JOHN.

19 **JOHN KENNEDY:** THANK YOU.

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- 21 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: LET ME ALSO CALL UP SYLVIA MENDEZ AND
- 22 PROFESSOR GARY ORFIELD. YES SIR.
- 24 JESUS ESCONDON: GOOD AFTERNOON. SUPERVISORS. I AM JESUS
- 25 ESCONDON. I SERVED ON THE BOUNDARY REVIEW COMMITTEE AS AN



- 1 ALTERNATE REPRESENTING THE SECOND DISTRICT. I SIGNED THE
- 2 B.R.C.'S MINORITY REPORT AND SUPPORTED PLAN S-2 BECAUSE IT
- 3 DOES A BETTER JOB OF COMPLYING WITH THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT THAN
- 4 PLAN A-3. IN REDRAWING BOUNDARIES FOR THE BOARD, THE
- 5 SUPERVISORS SHOULD NOT REPEAT HISTORY. I REPEAT. YOU SHOULD
- 6 NOT REPEAT HISTORY. WHEN A COURT OF LAW FOUND IN GARZA THAT
- 7 THE BOARD INTENTIONALLY ENGAGED IN DILUTING THE LATINO
- 8 COMMUNITY'S VOTING STRENGTHS. RATHER, THE BOARD SHOULD MAKE
- 9 HISTORY BY ADOPTING A MAP THAT FULLY COMPLIES WITH THE VOTING
- 10 RIGHTS ACT AND VOLUNTARILY EMPOWERS A COMMUNITY WITHOUT HAVING
- 11 TO RESORT TO THE COURTS. AS A LATINO RESIDENT OF THE SECOND
- 12 DISTRICT, I ALSO WANT TO COMMEND MY AFRICAN-AMERICAN NEIGHBORS
- 13 FOR STANDING IN SOLIDARITY WITH US IN OUR EFFORT TO PROTECT
- 14 AND DEFEND OUR VOTING CIVIL RIGHTS, THE MOST PRECIOUS RIGHT OF
- 15 ALL. THANK YOU. MUCHAS GRACIAS.

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17 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU, SIR. LET ME ALSO CALL UP

- 18 IRMA MUNOZ AND DAVID MYERS. YES, SIR.
- 20 DR. HECTOR FLORES: GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS DR.
- 21 HECTOR FLORES, AND I'M THE CHAIR OF FAMILY MEDICINE AT WHITE
- 22 MEMORIAL MEDICAL CENTER. I'M HERE TODAY TO EXPRESS MY STRONG
- 23 SUPPORT FOR THE T-1 MAP AND THE S-2 MAP. TO FAIL TO SUPPORT
- 24 THEM REALLY THREATENS THE HEALTH OF THE PUBLIC IN LOS ANGELES
- 25 COUNTY. TO ILLUSTRATE MY POINT, IT IS HELPFUL TO LOOK AT THE



- 1 PEOPLE THAT RESIDE IN THE REGION OF THE PROPOSED DISTRICT 3 IN
- 2 THE T-1 MAP. ACCORDING TO STUDIES AT U.C.L.A., THE PEOPLE
- 3 RESIDING IN THAT CORRIDOR HAVE THE HIGHEST INCIDENCE OF
- 4 COMMUNICABLE DISEASE, VACCINE-PREVENTABLE DISEASE, AND
- 5 DIABETES AND ITS COMPLICATIONS. AND SINCE MANY OF THE
- 6 INDIVIDUALS ARE UNINSURED, THEY OFTEN TURN TO THE SAFETY NET
- 7 FOR THEIR CARE AND THE HEALTH OF THOSE COMMUNITIES DEPENDS
- 8 LARGELY ON THE PEOPLE ELECTED TO REPRESENT THEM. SADLY FOR
- 9 SUPERVISORS, THE ABSENCE OF A COHESIVE COMMUNITY OF INTEREST
- 10 UNDER THE CURRENT DISTRICTS CREATES COMPETING DEMANDS,
- 11 REGIONAL POLITICS AND INSUFFICIENT REPRESENTATION RESULTING IN
- 12 THEIR NEEDS GOING UNANSWERED. THERE ARE MANY EXAMPLES WHERE
- 13 THE WILL OF THE PUBLIC HAS BEEN FRUSTRATED BECAUSE OF THIS IN
- 14 THE PAST. MOST NOTABLY THE UNDERSIZING OF L.A. COUNTY U.S.C.,
- 15 THE CLOSURE OF M.L.K., AND THE UNDERINVESTMENT IN SOUTH LOS
- 16 ANGELES. PLEASE VOTE FOR THE T-1 MAP.

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18 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. ONE MOMENT.

- 20 GARY ORFIELD: MY NAME IS GARY ORFIELD, I'M A PROFESSOR AT
- 21 U.C.L.A., AND CO-DIRECTOR OF THE CIVIL RIGHTS PROJECT, A
- 22 RESEARCH CENTER THAT'S PRODUCED OVER 400 STUDIES OF RACIAL
- 23 INEQUALITY IN THE UNITED STATES. THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT IS
- 24 INTENDED TO DEAL WITH A HISTORY OF DISCRIMINATION. THAT
- 25 HISTORY ISN'T OVER HERE NOW. WE JUST COMPUTED THE RESIDENTIAL



- 1 SEGREGATION LEVELS OF EVERY CITY IN THE SOUTHWEST. LOS ANGELES
- 2 IS THE MOST SEGREGATED COMMUNITY FOR LATINO RESIDENTS. WE SEE
- 3 TREMENDOUS INEQUALITY BY RACE IN EDUCATION, IN HOUSING, IN
- 4 INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITIES, IN JOB OPPORTUNITIES AND AN
- 5 INCREASINGLY DIRE FUTURE FOR THE COUNTY UNLESS IT ADDRESSES
- 6 THESE ISSUES. AND THOSE POPULATIONS THAT ARE BEING EXCLUDED
- 7 DESPERATELY NEED REPRESENTATION. WE'RE NOW IN A SITUATION
- 8 WHERE WE HAVE ONE-SEVENTH WHITES IN OUR PUBLIC SCHOOLS IN THE
- 9 COUNTY. ALMOST TWO-THIRDS LATINOS. THIS IS THE FUTURE OF OUR
- 10 COUNTY. THEY'RE NOT BEING EDUCATED. THEY'RE NOT GETTING JOBS,
- 11 THEY DON'T HAVE A VERY POSITIVE FUTURE.

13 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU.

15 SUP. MOLINA: THANK YOU, SIR.

17 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: HAS HE BEEN CALLED? ARE YOU BEEN

- 18 CALLED? LET ME ALSO CALL UP CLAIRE ROBINSON? CLAIRE ROBINSON?
- 19 OKAY. YES, MA'AM.

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- 21 SYLVIA MENDEZ: MY NAME IS SYLVIA MENDEZ. I'M HERE TO URGE THE
- 22 LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO ADOPT THE T-1 MAP
- 23 OR THE S-2 MAP. I'D LIKE TO TELL YOU MY STORY. MY PARENTS
- 24 WANTED ME TO HAVE AN EDUCATION WHILE GROWING UP IN SEGREGATED
- 25 ORANGE COUNTY IN 1940. MY PARENTS LEARNED THE HARD WAY TO SEEK



- 1 EQUALITY FOR THEIR CHILDREN. ALONG WITH OTHER PARENTS, THEY
- 2 FILED A CLASS ACTION SUIT AGAINST THE WESTMINSTER SCHOOL
- 3 BOARD. BECAUSE OF THE LANDMARK DECISION, SCHOOLS WERE ALLOWED
- 4 TO INTEGRATE. EQUALITY IS FOUGHT AND FOUND IN THE COURTS. AND
- 5 I AM LIVING EXAMPLE OF IT. WHAT IS GOING ON TODAY AT THE BOARD
- 6 OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY IS A CLEAR VIOLATION OF THE CIVIL RIGHTS
- 7 AND VOTING RIGHTS AND THE ONE THAT WE WILL MOST LIKELY --
- 8 WHICH WILL MOST LIKELY BE FOUGHT IN THE COURTS. THESE MAPS
- 9 WOULD SUPPORT THE CREATION OF TWO LATINO OPPORTUNITY
- 10 DISTRICTS. NOT A LATINO SUPERVISOR. JUST THE FAIR OPPORTUNITY
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13 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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15 SUP. MOLINA: MR. CHAIRMAN, MR. CHAIRMAN?

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17 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: SUPERVISOR MOLINA?

- 19 SUP. MOLINA: I WANT TO THANK MISS MENDEZ FOR COMING. A LOT OF
- 20 PEOPLE DON'T KNOW WHO SHE IS. SHE IS THE DAUGHTER OF TWO
- 21 PARENTS WHO IN A TIME WHEN THERE WAS UNBELIEVABLE
- 22 DISCRIMINATION WERE ABLE TO FIGHT TO INTEGRATE OUR PUBLIC
- 23 SCHOOLS IN MENDEZ VERSUS -- [APPLAUSE.] -- WESTMINSTER. THE
- 24 REASON -- (GAVEL) -- THE REASON THAT SHE IS HERE, AND I THINK
- 25 IT'S IMPORTANT, AND WE JUST NAMED PROUDLY A SCHOOL IN THE NAME



- 1 OF HER PARENTS, A BRAND NEW SCHOOL IN BOYLE HEIGHTS. BUT I
- 2 THINK THAT THIS IS AN EXAMPLE OF THE KIND OF LEADERSHIP AND
- 3 THROUGH THE COURTS THAT WE WERE ABLE TO GAIN OUR CIVIL RIGHTS,
- 4 OUR RIGHTS TO INTEGRATED PUBLIC SCHOOLS. AND I THINK IT'S
- 5 IMPORTANT THAT WE ACKNOWLEDGE MISS MENDEZ FOR COMING OUT AND
- 6 JOINING US. THANK YOU SO VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE.]

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- 8 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE.] JUST
- 9 USE YOUR HANDS. USE YOUR HANDS. YES, MA'AM.

- 11 IRMA MUNOZ: GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS IRMA MUNOZ, I'M
- 12 PRESIDENT OF MUJERES DE LA TIERRA, AN ENVIRONMENTAL
- 13 ORGANIZATION. WE SUPPORT THE DISTRICT BOUNDARIES RECOMMENDED
- 14 BY BOTH SUPERVISOR MOLINA AND SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS AS THE
- 15 BEST MAPS ALLOCATING PROPER AND FAIR REPRESENTATION IN THE LOS
- 16 ANGELES COUNTY. WE ARE CONCERNED ABOUT THE DYNAMICS OF
- 17 REPRESENTATION AS THEY ARE MANIFESTED IN THE EQUITABLE
- 18 DISTRIBUTION OF PUBLIC FINANCIAL RESOURCES TO ADDRESS
- 19 ENVIRONMENTAL AND OTHER SOCIAL CONDITIONS THAT OUR COMMUNITIES
- 20 FACE. THE QUESTION HERE IS DO YOU HAVE THE COURAGE TO VOTE THE
- 21 RIGHT WAY? WILL YOU BE LEGALLY COMPLIANT? WILL YOU DO WHAT IS
- 22 RIGHT? AND IT DOES TAKE COURAGE BECAUSE WE DO NOT WANT TO GO
- 23 AND WASTE OUR TAXPAYER DOLLARS AND GO TO A LAWSUIT. IT IS SO
- 24 INTERESTING TO ME THAT WHEN I WAS IN COLLEGE, WE WERE HAVING
- 25 THESE CONVERSATIONS. WHEN I WENT TO LAW SCHOOL, WE WERE HAVING



- 1 THESE CONVERSATIONS. WHEN I BECAME A YOUNG PROFESSIONAL WE
- 2 WERE HAVING THESE CONVERSATIONS AND THESE DEBATES. AND IN
- 3 2011, WE'RE STILL ASKING THE SAME QUESTIONS FOR OFFICE HOLDERS
- 4 TO BE COURAGEOUS TO VOTE THE RIGHT WAY AND THE ETHICAL WAY.
- 5 THANK YOU.

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- 7 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP MARIA
- 8 DURAZO AND AND TANUA THRESH. YES, SIR.

- 10 DAVID DE MERS: MY NAME IS DAVID DE MERS AND I'M HERE WITH THE
- 11 YOUNG MEN AND WOMEN OF THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY CONSERVATION
- 12 CORPS. I'M HERE TODAY TO URGE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO
- 13 ADOPT THE T-1 OR S-2 MAPS. EACH MAP MEETS THE DEMANDS OF THE
- 14 VOTING RIGHTS ACT BY SUPPORTING EQUITABLE DISTRIBUTION OF
- 15 REPRESENTATION. THIS ISSUE IS NOT ONE OF RACE BECAUSE BOTH THE
- 16 T-1 AND S-2 MAPS TREAT ALL GROUPS EQUALLY AND ENSURES THAT NO
- 17 GROUP'S VOTING POWER IS DILUTED. THESE MAPS SUPPORT OUR
- 18 ENVIRONMENTAL NEEDS AS WELL. ALTHOUGH WE TEND TO THINK OF
- 19 BEACHES, FORESTS AND OPEN SPACE WHEN WE THINK ABOUT THE
- 20 ENVIRONMENT, THE LOS ANGELES, SAN GABRIEL, AND RIO HONDO
- 21 RIVERS RUN THROUGH SOME OF THE MOST DENSELY POPULATED AREAS OF
- 22 THE COUNTY WHERE LATINO FAMILIES ARE NUMEROUS. I BELIEVE THAT
- 23 THERE'S A DIRECT CORRELATION BETWEEN THE ASSERTIVE
- 24 ENVIRONMENTAL ATTENTION BEING PAID TO THESE AREAS AND
- 25 SUPERVISOR MOLINA'S SERVICE TO THIS BOARD. PRIOR TO HER



- 1 ARRIVAL, THIS SIMPLY WAS NOT THE CASE. A SECOND LATINO
- 2 OPPORTUNITY DISTRICT WILL MORE EFFECTIVELY REFLECT THE RICH
- 3 DIVERSITY AND CULTURE OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY. AGAIN I URGE THIS
- 4 BOARD TO ADOPT EITHER THE T-1 OR S-2 MAPS.

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6 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU, SIR. YES MA'AM.

- 8 CLAIRE ROBINSON: MY NAME IS CLAIRE ROBINSON. AND I SERVE AS
- 9 MANAGING OF THE AMIGOS DE LOS RIOS, THE EMERALD NECKLACE
- 10 GROUP. I'M HERE TODAY TO SUPPORT THE T-1 AND S-2 MAPS. WE'VE
- 11 HEARD A LOT IN THE MEDIA AND IN THIS BOARDROOM FROM ADVOCATES
- 12 OF THE STATUS OUO ABOUT HOW MUCH IS AT STAKE FROM AN
- 13 ENVIRONMENTAL PERSPECTIVE IF WE DRASTICALLY REDRAW DISTRICT
- 14 BOUNDARIES. I SHARE THE SAME CONCERN. AND I THINK IT'S
- 15 PRECISELY BECAUSE SO MUCH IS AT STAKE THAT WE SHOULD EMBRACE A
- 16 DRAMATIC REVISION OF DISTRICT LINES. AT AMIGOS WE COLLABORATE
- 17 WITH OPEN SPACE ADVOCATES, URBAN ENVIRONMENTALISTS, TO BRING
- 18 MORE PARKS, RIVER RESTORATION AND GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE TO THE
- 19 LOS ANGELES RIVER, SAN GABRIEL RIVER, AND RIO HONDO BASIN.
- 20 THESE RIVERS BELONG TO ALL OF US. THEY RUN THROUGH ENCLAVES
- 21 PRIMARILY POPULATED WITH WORKING LATINO FAMILIES. FOR YEARS
- 22 THE RIVERS AND THE NEIGHBORHOODS SURROUNDING THEM WERE
- 23 NEGLECTED AND BLIGHTED. THIS BEGAN TO CHANGE WHEN THE
- 24 COMMUNITY BECAME ENVIRONMENTALLY CONSCIOUS AND ACTIVE, BUT
- 25 TRULY TOOK OFF ONCE THE ELECTED LEADERSHIP ACTUALLY CAME FROM



- 1 THESE COMMUNITIES. WHEN WE THINK ABOUT ENVIRONMENTALISM IN
- 2 L.A. COUNTY NOWADAYS --

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4 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU, MA'AM.

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6 **CLAIRE ROBINSON:** THANK YOU.

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- 8 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: LET ME ALSO CALL UP JACKIE DUPONT
- 9 WALKER AND MARIA DURAZO? OKAY.

- 11 MARIA ELENA DURAZO: YES. MARIA ELENA DURAZO, AND I'M
- 12 SECRETARY-TREASURER OF THE LOS ANGELES FEDERATION OF LABOR,
- 13 A.F.L.-C.I.O., AND REPRESENT HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF MEN AND
- 14 WOMEN WHO WORK AND LIVE THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY, LIKE LONG SHORE
- 15 WORKERS AND TEAMSTERS AND FIREFIGHTERS, GROCERY WORKERS WHO
- 16 JUST GOT A GOOD CONTRACT, TEACHERS, HOTEL WORKERS. AND THESE
- 17 WORKERS AND THEIR NEIGHBORS ARE COMMUNITY MEMBERS FIRST. AND
- 18 THEY ARE THE REAL EXPERTS ON WHERE THEY LIVE. AND OVER THE
- 19 LAST SIX MONTHS, THEY HAVE BEEN SHARING THEIR COMMUNITY OF
- 20 INTEREST WITH YOU. FROM THEIR TESTIMONY, IT HAS BECOME CLEAR
- 21 TO US THAT THE SOUTHEAST IS ITS OWN COMMUNITY OF INTEREST AS
- 22 IS THE COASTAL AND WEST SIDE COMMUNITY, AS IS SOUTH L.A., AS
- 23 IS THE ANTELOPE VALLEY AND THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY, AS IS
- 24 DOWNTOWN L.A. AND THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY AS LINKED THROUGH
- 25 THE HUB OF BURBANK ALONGSIDE GRIFFITH PARK. PLEASE RESPECT THE



1 DISTINCT COMMUNITIES OF INTEREST OF L.A. COUNTY AND THE UNIQUE

- 2 AND WONDERFUL DIVERSITY WHICH HELPS LOS ANGELES THRIVE AS A
- 3 MELTING POT FOR ALL. AND WE SUPPORT THE CREATION OF A SECOND
- 4 LATINO VOTING DISTRICT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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- 6 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: LET ME ALSO CALL UP JOHN TROY. JOHN
- 7 TROY, EFREN MARTINEZ, AND MARQUIS DAWSON HARRIS? YES, MA'AM.

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- 9 TANUA THRESH: MY NAME IS TUNUA THRESH, AND I'M THE EXECUTIVE
- 10 DIRECTOR AT WEST ANGELES C.D.C. AND ONE OF THE DEVELOPERS OF
- 11 THE COMMUNITY EMPOWERMENT MAP NOW CALLED S-2. FULL COMPLIANCE
- 12 WITH THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT MEANS THAT THE BOARD ACKNOWLEDGES
- 13 THE RACIAL POLARIZATION THAT EXISTS. IT SHOULD THEN ACT ON
- 14 THAT KNOWLEDGE BY VOTING TO ADOPT SUCH A MAP. THE MAP SHOULD
- 15 PROVIDE LATINOS WITH THE OPPORTUNITY TO ELECT CANDIDATES OF
- 16 CHOICE IN AT LEAST TWO OF THE FIVE DISTRICTS. PROTECTION OF
- 17 INCUMBENTS, REASSIGNMENT OF VOTERS, DEFERRAL OF ELECTION OR
- 18 CONSTITUENTS' COMFORT WITH THEIR OWN CURRENT REPRESENTATION
- 19 SHOULD NOT BE THE DOMINANT CRITERIA FOR ADOPTING MAPS. GENUINE
- 20 COMMUNITY EMPOWERMENT PROTECTS THE VOTING RIGHTS OF THE
- 21 DISENFRANCHISED. THIS SHOULD BE YOUR PRIMARY CONCERN. WE SAY:
- 22 FOLLOW THE NUMBERS. FOLLOW THE LAW. MAKE HISTORY. DO NOT
- 23 REPEAT IT. [APPLAUSE.]



- 1 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. EXCUSE ME. EFREN MARTINEZ?
- 2 MARQUIS DAWSON HARRIS? THEY'RE IN TRAFFIC. AND JACKIE DUPONT
- 3 WALKER. AND IRENE TOVAR. OKAY, NOW SOME OF THESE PEOPLE ARE IN
- 4 TRAFFIC. WHEN THEY COME, WE'LL HAVE THEM SPEAK. MR. CHOY?

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- 6 JOHN CHOY: THANK YOU. GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS JOHN CHOY. I
- 7 WAS A B.R.C. APPOINTEE FOR THE SECOND DISTRICT REPRESENTING
- 8 SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS. FIRST OF ALL, I'D LIKE TO JUST
- 9 SAY I'M ENCOURAGED BY THE LEVEL OF PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT EVIDENCED
- 10 BY THE CROWDS HERE TODAY. I WANT TO JUST BEGIN WITH SAYING
- 11 THAT I PERSONALLY SIGNED THE B.R.C. MINORITY REPORT BECAUSE I
- 12 WAS PRESENTED WITH EVIDENCE OF RACIALLY-POLARIZED VOTING AND
- 13 FEEL STRONGLY THAT THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT COMPELS THE COUNTY TO
- 14 MAKE SIGNIFICANT CHANGES TO ITS CURRENT BOUNDARIES. I
- 15 PERSONALLY BELIEVE THAT EVERY COMMUNITY, PARTICULARLY
- 16 TRADITIONALLY UNDERSERVED COMMUNITIES OF COLOR, DESERVE AN
- 17 OPPORTUNITY FOR SELF-REPRESENTATION. I URGE THIS BOARD TO TAKE
- 18 THAT INTO CONSIDERATION AS A PRIMARY FACTOR IN MAKING THEIR
- 19 DECISIONS TODAY. THANK YOU.

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21 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: MISS TOVAR?

- 23 IRENE TOVAR: THANK YOU. MY NAME IS IRENE TOVAR AND I HAVE
- 24 LIVED ALL OF MY LIFE IN THE NORTHEAST SAN FERNANDO VALLEY. I
- 25 WAS ALSO THE COMMISSIONER IN THE 1990 LOS ANGELES CITY



- 1 REDISTRICTING COMMISSION. AND I'VE BEEN VERY ACTIVE IN MY ALMA
- 2 MATER BEING THE PAST PRESIDENT OF IT. I'M HERE BECAUSE I
- 3 STRONGLY SUPPORT PLAN T-1 AND S-2 AND I URGE YOU TO VOTE FOR
- 4 WHAT IS RIGHT AND WHAT IS HONEST AND FAIR. THESE TWO PLANS
- 5 COMPLY WITH A FEDERAL RIGHTING VOTES ACT. THE ACT THAT PEOPLE
- 6 GAVE THEIR LIFE FOR. IT ALSO COMPLIES WITH THE COMMUNITY OF
- 7 INTEREST. NO ONE CAN TELL ME THAT PACOIMA HAS A COMMUNITY OF
- 8 INTEREST WITH ENCINO AND THE GATED HIDDEN HILLS. IT CREATES
- 9 TWO LATINO DISTRICTS. IT PROTECTS THE RIGHT ACT OF AFRICAN-
- 10 AMERICANS AND ASIANS. WE LIVE, LET'S FACE REALITY, WE LIVE IN
- 11 A BEAUTIFUL DIVERSE SOCIETY. I URGE YOU TO VOTE YOUR
- 12 CONSCIENCE, ENFORCE THE LAW.

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14 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. FOR THE THIRD DISTRICT, WE

- 15 HAVE 25 PEOPLE FOR ONE MINUTE EACH. LET ME CALL THEM UP AT
- 16 THIS TIME. PAT MACNEAL. PAULA WILSON. PETER HARTZ. VA LECIA
- 17 ADAMS. OKAY. EACH HAVE ONE MINUTE. THANK YOU.

19 PAT MACNEAL: GOOD AFTERNOON. I AM PAT MACNEAL, COFOUNDER AND

- 20 PAST PRESIDENT OF THE TOPANGA COALITION FOR EMERGENCY
- 21 PREPAREDNESS. I CO-CHAIR WITH O.E.M.'S KEITH HARRISON AND THE
- 22 TOPANGA EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT TASKFORCE. THE MEMBERS ARE DRAWN
- 23 FROM ALL THE CRITICAL GOVERNMENT AGENCIES, COMMUNITY
- 24 STAKEHOLDERS, GROUPS AND ORGANIZATIONS WHO WORK TOGETHER TO
- 25 PREPARE FOR AND RESPOND TO AND RECOVER FROM THE NEXT



- 1 INEVITABLE DISASTER. OUR COMMUNITY IS THE SANTA MONICA
- 2 MOUNTAINS AND WE ARE STAKEHOLDERS WHO DO NOT WANT TO PUT THIS
- 3 CRITICAL PARTNERSHIP AT RISK. SUCCESS AND CONTINUING TO MANAGE
- 4 OUR PREPAREDNESS EFFORTS IN THE REMARKABLE WILD LAND INTERFACE
- 5 KNOWN AS THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS REQUIRES COLLABORATION TO
- 6 BE A VERY HIGH PRIORITY FOR THE SUPERVISOR WHO UNDERSTANDS THE
- 7 EXTREME, EXTREME AND UNIOUE CHALLENGES OF THE DISASTER
- 8 PLANNING FACED IN THE THIRD DISTRICT. WE URGE YOU TO ADOPT THE
- 9 A-3 AMENDED --

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13 PAT MACNEAL: REDISTRICTING PLAN.

SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU.

15 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: YES, MA'AM.

17 PAT MACNEAL: AT LEAST I GOT THAT OUT.

19 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: YOU'RE ON.

- 21 PAULA WILSON: HI. I'M PAULA WILSON, THE PRESIDENT AND C.E.O.
- 22 OF VALLEY COMMUNITY CLINIC, A NONPROFIT AGENCY PROVIDING FREE
- 23 AND LOW COST HEALTH SERVICES FOR THE FAMILIES IN THE SAN
- 24 FERNANDO VALLEY FOR OVER 40 YEARS. I URGE YOU TO SUPPORT PLAN
- 25 A-3. LAST YEAR, WE CARED FOR 20,000 INDIVIDUALS AT THE VALLEY



- 1 COMMUNITY CLINIC. OVER 65,000 HEALTH VISITS. 65 PERCENT OF OUR
- 2 PATIENTS ARE LATINO. AND WE PROVIDE VISITS RANGING FROM
- 3 PRIMARY CARE, DENTAL, OPTOMETRY AND MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES. WE
- 4 SERVE THE ENTIRE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY WITH OVER FOUR SITES AND
- 5 AN ADDITIONAL SITE DUE TO BE OPEN IN 2014. WE HAVE SPENT 40
- 6 YEARS DEVELOPING PARTNERSHIPS IN HOSPITALS AND SOCIAL SERVICE
- 7 AGENCIES, HOUSING, CHURCHES AND SCHOOLS. BASED ON THIS, WE
- 8 OPPOSE T-1 AND S-2, WHICH WOULD UNDERMINE AND FRACTIONALIZE
- 9 OUR EFFECTIVE HEALTHCARE NETWORK. THANK YOU.

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- 11 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO -- [APPLAUSE.]
- 12 PLEASE. WAVE YOUR HANDS. NO NOISE. LET ME ALSO CALL UP
- 13 NICHOLAS VRATARIC AND DR. IAN HUNTER.

- 15 PETER HARTZ: HELLO HAVE MY NAME IS PETER HARTZ. I'M PRESIDENT
- 16 OF THE TOLUCA LAKE HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION AND I'M HERE IN
- 17 OPPOSITION TO PLAN 1 AND PLAN 2 BECAUSE THEY NEEDLESSLY DIVIDE
- 18 OUR COMMUNITY OF INTEREST. THERE'S AN OLD SAYING THAT ALL
- 19 POLITICS IS LOCAL. TOLUCA LAKE IS A SMALL COMMUNITY IN THE
- 20 SHADOW OF UNIVERSAL STUDIOS. BOTH PLAN 1 AND PLAN 2 WOULD
- 21 DIVIDE UNIVERSAL INTO TWO DIFFERENT DISTRICTS. MEANWHILE, THEY
- 22 HAVE A VERY AGGRESSIVE PLAN ON DEVELOPMENT. AND BY PUTTING IT
- 23 INTO TWO DIFFERENT DISTRICTS, THIS HARMS OUR ABILITY OF THE
- 24 AREA TO SPEAK WITH ONE VOICE ON CRITICAL ISSUES SUCH AS
- 25 DEVELOPMENT AND TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENTS ALONG THE 101



- 1 FREEWAY, THE CORRIDOR AND THE DESPERATELY CONGESTED BARHAM
- 2 BOULEVARD. SO APART FROM THE BIG ISSUES, THE LOCAL ISSUES ARE
- 3 PLAN 1, PLAN 2 ARE BAD FOR TOLUCA LAKE. THANK YOU.

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5 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU.

- 7 VA LECIA ADAMS: MY NAME IS DR. VA LECIA ADAMS, I'M THE
- 8 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF ST. JOSEPH CENTER, A NONPROFIT AGENCY IN
- 9 VENICE THAT SERVES APPROXIMATELY 6,000 WORKING POOR AS WELL AS
- 10 HOMELESS INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILIES ON LOS ANGELES'S WEST SIDE.
- 11 I'M HERE TODAY TO ADDRESS OUR CONCERN ABOUT THE POTENTIAL
- 12 IMPACT OF THE PROPOSED REDISTRICTING PLANS T-1 AND S-2 WHICH
- 13 WOULD DISPLACE MORE THAN 1/3 OF THE COUNTY'S POPULATION,
- 14 APPROXIMATELY 3.5 MILLION PEOPLE, BY MOVING THEM FROM ONE
- 15 DISTRICT TO ANOTHER. SUCH A MASSIVE DISLOCATION WOULD CUT
- 16 LONGSTANDING COMMUNITY TIES, INCLUDING KEY INTERAGENCY PUBLIC-
- 17 PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS. THIS WOULD ERASE HARD-WON PROGRESS THAT
- 18 HAS BEEN ACHIEVED IN THE AREAS OF POVERTY AND HOMELESSNESS. AS
- 19 A LEADER OF A SOCIAL SERVICE AGENCY THAT SERVES THOUSANDS OF
- 20 THE MOST VULNERABLE MEMBERS OF OUR COMMUNITY, WE ARE
- 21 PARTICULARLY SENSITIVE TO THE NEED TO EMPOWER HISTORICALLY
- 22 UNDERSERVED POPULATIONS TO ENSURE ALL MEMBERS OF OUR COMMUNITY
- 23 HAVE A VOICE. THE PROPOSED RE-ALIGNMENTS WOULD SIGNIFICANTLY
- 24 IMPACT OUR ABILITY TO CONTINUE SERVING OUR CLIENTS IN AN
- 25 EFFECTIVE MANNER BY DECIMATING THE COLLABORATIVE



- 1 INFRASTRUCTURE THAT HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED IN THE CURRENT THIRD
- 2 DISTRICT. AT ST. JOSEPH'S CENTER, WE SUPPORT SOLUTIONS THAT
- 3 RESPECT THE VIBRANT COMMUNITY TIES THAT EXIST IN THE CURRENT
- 4 THIRD DISTRICT.

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- 6 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP DAVID
- 7 RESNICK AND FRANK MARTINEZ. YES SIR.

- 9 IAN HUNTER: MY NAME IS IAN HUNTER AND I'M THE PRESIDENT AND
- 10 C.E.O. OF THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH
- 11 CENTER. MY PRIMARY CONCERN IS THAT IF THERE IS SIGNIFICANT
- 12 ALTERATION OF THE GEOGRAPHICAL BOUNDARIES FOR THE THIRD
- 13 DISTRICT SUCH AS PROPOSED IN PLANS T-1 AND T-2 AND IF THE SAN
- 14 FERNANDO VALLEY IS SEGMENTED UNDER THREE DIFFERENT
- 15 SUPERVISORIAL OFFICES, EACH WITH DIFFERENT POLICIES AND
- 16 PRIORITIES, THERE WOULD BE POTENTIAL FOR SERIOUS DISRUPTION IN
- 17 THE VALLEY-WIDE MENTAL HEALTH SYSTEM OF CARE. THIS SYSTEM HAS
- 18 BEEN CAREFULLY DEVELOPED BY A BROAD STAKEHOLDER GROUP OVER
- 19 THREE DECADES OF PLANNING AND IMPLEMENTATION. IT HAS BEEN
- 20 DESIGNED TO ENSURE AN EFFECTIVE BALANCE OF GEOGRAPHICALLY
- 21 ACCESSIBLE, CULTURALLY SENSITIVE SERVICES BLENDED INTO ONE
- 22 INTEGRATED, COHESIVE AND COORDINATED SYSTEM OF CARE. WITHOUT
- 23 ACCESS TO THIS EXISTING VALLEY-WIDE NETWORK OF SERVICES TO
- 24 FACILITATE REFERRALS AND LINKAGE BETWEEN AGENCIES AND BETWEEN
- 25 LEVELS OF INTENSITY OF CARE, MANY SEVERELY MENTALLY ILL



- 1 RESIDENTS OF THE VALLEY COULD EASILY FALL BETWEEN THE CRACKS
- 2 IN THE NEW SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS AND END UP HOMELESS.
- 3 [APPLAUSE.]

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5 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: YES, SIR.

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- 7 NICHOLAS VRATARIC: I'M NICHOLAS VRATARIC, I'M THE EXECUTIVE
- 8 DIRECTOR OF THE CLARE FOUNDATION, A SUBSTANCE ABUSE TREATMENT
- 9 FACILITY THAT HAS BEEN PRACTICING IN THE WEST SIDE FOR OVER 40
- 10 YEARS. I'M ALSO A BOARD MEMBER OF THE WEST SIDE SHELTER AND
- 11 HUNGER COALITION. AND I JOIN THE SUPERVISORS IN SUPPORTING THE
- 12 VOTING RIGHTS ACT. BUT I'M RELUCTANT TO SUPPORT ANY MOTION
- 13 THAT WOULD DISRUPT SUCH A LARGE POPULATION. BOTH PLANS T-1 AND
- 14 S-2 NEEDLESSLY DIVIDE THE REGION THAT IS TOPOGRAPHICALLY AND
- 15 GEOGRAPHICALLY, SOCIALLY COHESIVE. SOCIAL SERVICE PROVIDERS IN
- 16 THE THIRD DISTRICT HAVE BEEN WORKING FOR DECADES TO IMPLEMENT
- 17 A CONTINUUM OF CARE DESIGNED TO KEEP THOSE IN NEED IN OUR
- 18 COMMUNITY FROM SLIPPING THROUGH THE SYSTEM. BOTH PLANS T-1 AND
- 19 S-2 WILL SET BACK THESE EFFORTS. PLAN A-3, HOWEVER, WILL
- 20 PRESERVE MANY OF THE VALUABLE RELATIONSHIPS, LEAVING THE
- 21 CURRENT THIRD DISTRICT LARGELY INTACT. I URGE THE BOARD TO
- 22 SUPPORT PLAN A-3. THANK YOU.

- 24 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU, SIR. LET ME ALSO CALL UP
- 25 ZVIKA BRENNER AND DAVID HONDA. YES, SIR.



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- 2 STEPHEN RESNICK: THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR AND SUPERVISORS. MY NAME
- 3 IS STEPHEN RESNICK AND I'M PRESIDENT OF THE WESTWOOD
- 4 HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION AND SECRETARY OF THE WESTWOOD
- 5 NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL. BOTH OF MY ORGANIZATIONS HAVE PASSED
- 6 MOTIONS WITHOUT DISSENT IN FAVOR OF PLAN A-3 AMENDED. SIMPLY
- 7 PUT, THE PEOPLE OF THE THIRD DISTRICT HAVE WORKED VERY WELL
- 8 FOR A VERY LONG TIME TO FURTHER OUR MANY COMMON GOALS, AND WE
- 9 STRONGLY BELIEVE WE SHOULD NOT BE DIVIDED. THERE IS MUCH WORK
- 10 TO BE DONE IN OUR COMMUNITIES. AND WE IN THE THIRD DISTRICT
- 11 WANT TO DO IT AND NEED TO DO IT TOGETHER. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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- 13 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU, SIR. LET ME ALSO CALL UP
- 14 FRANK MARTINEZ? IS FRANK MARTINEZ HERE? AND NANCY FREEDMAN?
- 15 DAVID?

- 17 DAVID HONDA: GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. HONORABLE MAYOR. MY
- 18 NAME IS DAVID HONDA. I REPRESENT THE 51ST DISTRICT --
- 19 ASSOCIATION FOR THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA. AND I'M ALSO
- 20 PRESIDENT OF ASIAN BUSINESS ASSOCIATION ONLINE, WHICH
- 21 REPRESENTS THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY. I'VE HEARD A LOT OF
- 22 DIALOGUE IN REGARDS TO THE RACE, THE ISSUES. AND YOU KNOW
- 23 SOMETHING? BEING JAPANESE AMERICAN, THERE'S BEEN A LOT OF
- 24 DISCRIMINATION IN THE PAST. SO I UNDERSTAND THE DISCRIMINATION
- 25 ISSUE. BUT I ALSO UNDERSTAND THAT SPLITTING THINGS UP TO



- 1 CREATE ANOTHER DISTRICT JUST FOR THE PURPOSE OF RACE I DON'T
- 2 THINK IS NOT THE RIGHT WAY. I KNOW THAT YOU'LL VOTE YOUR
- 3 CONSCIENCE. [APPLAUSE.] AND I THINK THAT YOU'LL DO THE RIGHT
- 4 JOB. I THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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6 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. YES, SIR? YES, SIR.

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- 8 LEE RENGER: I'M LEE RENGER. I'M WITH THE LAS VIRGINES
- 9 MUNICIPAL BOARD, THE WATER BOARD. AT ANY RATE, I'M THE
- 10 PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD AND I AM REPRESENTING THEM. WE ARE FOR
- 11 S-3. WE HAVE THE MALIBU WATERSHED THAT WE HAVE TO TAKE CARE
- 12 OF.

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- 14 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: GIVE THE CORRECT NUMBER. EXCUSE ME. A-
- 15 3 OR S-3?

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17 LEE RENGER: I'M SORRY A-3.

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19 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU.

- 21 LEE RENGER: I'M SORRY. AT ANY RATE, WE NEED TO -- OUR 67,000
- 22 CUSTOMERS NEED TO BE ABLE TO ELECT A SUPERVISOR WHO WILL HELP
- 23 US WITH OUR CONCERNS AS FAR AS POLLUTION IS CONCERNED, TAKING
- 24 CARE OF THE WASTE WATER. AND WE'VE ALREADY SPENT \$10 MILLION
- 25 THIS YEAR JUST TO MAKE THINGS BETTER. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.



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2 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. YES, SIR.

- 4 FRANK MARTINEZ: MY NAME IS FRANK MARTINEZ. THANK YOU, MAYOR
- 5 ANTONOVICH AND OTHER MEMBERS OF THE BOARD FOR GIVING ME THE
- 6 OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK TODAY. I'M HERE IN FAVOR OF PLAN A-3.
- 7 OVER THE YEARS, DISTRICT 3 HAS FLOURISHED AND BLOSSOMED UNDER
- 8 THE SUPERVISION OF MR. YAROSLAVSKY. WE HAVE MADE GREAT STRIDES
- 9 AS IT RELATES TO PROPER REPRESENTATION ON MANY LEVELS OF
- 10 GOVERNMENT. IN THE THIRD DISTRICT WE CURRENTLY HAVE LATINO
- 11 REPRESENTATION IN THE CALIFORNIA STATE SENATE, STATE ASSEMBLY
- 12 AND THE LOS ANGELES CITY COUNCIL. FOR YEARS NOW MR.
- 13 YAROSLAVSKY HAS COORDINATED THE PRESENCE OF ALL OF THESE
- 14 LATINO AND OTHER ELECTED OFFICIALS, MADE THEM AVAILABLE TO HIS
- 15 CONSTITUENTS INCLUDING MYSELF VIA HIS GOVERNMENT DAY EVENT
- 16 THAT HE HOLDS ANNUALLY. SO TO SAY THAT WE NEED THE CHANGE OUR
- 17 DISTRICT BECAUSE WE DON'T HAVE PROPER REPRESENTATION IN MY
- 18 OPINION AS A LATINO IS UNNECESSARY. [APPLAUSE.] HOWEVER,
- 19 REGARDLESS OF WHAT HAPPENS HERE TODAY, I WANT TO PERSONALLY
- 20 THANK YOU, MR. YAROSLAVSKY, FOR YOUR HARD WORK, YOUR PASSION,
- 21 YOUR DEDICATION TO YOUR DISTRICT. YOU HAVE DEFINITELY HELPED
- 22 IT BECOME ONE OF THE FINEST DISTRICTS IN ALL OF THE L.A.
- 23 COUNTY, YOU, SIR, HAVE HELPED LAY THE FOUNDATION, SOLID
- 24 FOUNDATION TO WHAT WE'RE GOING TO BE ABLE TO DO GOING INTO THE
- 25 FUTURE. AND FOR THIS REASON I REQUEST RESPECTFULLY THAT THE



- 1 BOARD VOTE IN FAVOR OF A-3. HELP US BUILD ON WHAT MR.
- 2 YAROSLAVSKY HAS ALREADY DONE.

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4 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: YES, MA'AM.

- 6 NANCY FREEDMAN: GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. I'M NANCY
- 7 FREEDMAN, CHAIR OF THE BRENTWOOD COMMUNITY COUNCIL
- 8 REPRESENTING OVER 30,000 LOS ANGELINOS. SINCE THE LAST TIME I
- 9 WAS HERE TO SPEAK AND TIME RAN OUT, GUESS WHAT? THE MAYOR HELD
- 10 A TOWN HALL IN OUR NECK OF THE WOODS AND FLYERS WERE SENT OUT
- 11 IN SPANISH AND ENGLISH. WE ARE GOOD NEIGHBORS WITH RESIDENTS
- 12 OF ALL NATIONALITIES AND RESENT THE ASSUMPTION THAT PLANS T-1
- 13 OR S-2 WOULD MAKE US A BETTER MIX OF PEOPLE. WE ALREADY ARE.
- 14 AND WE SUPPORT A-3 AMENDED. THE DEFINITION OF GERRYMANDER IS
- 15 TO DIVIDE AN AREA INTO POLITICAL UNITS TO GIVE SPECIAL
- 16 ADVANTAGES TO ONE GROUP. IS THAT NOT WHAT PLAN T-1 AND S-2
- 17 INTEND TO ACCOMPLISH? EITHER WOULD DESTROY OUR ALREADY
- 18 INTEGRATED NEIGHBORHOODS IN THE THIRD DISTRICT. THE TIME MAY
- 19 BE RIGHT FOR A CITIZEN COMMISSION SUCH AS THE STATE-
- 20 IMPLEMENTED THIS YEAR. WE FIRMLY BELIEVE YOU CAN MEET ALL THE
- 21 REQUIREMENTS OF THE LANDMARK FEDERAL VOTING RIGHTS ACT WITHOUT
- 22 DIVIDING OUR CITIES AND COMMUNITIES. JUST AS ONE EATS IN
- 23 MODERATION, WE BELIEVE DISTRICTS CAN BE ADJUSTED IN
- 24 MODERATION, NOT LINES DOWN THE MIDDLE. T-1 AND S-2 ARE NOT



- 1 ACCEPTABLE IN HONORING COMMUNITIES OF INTEREST THAT SIT ON THE
- 2 SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS.

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4 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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- 6 NANCY FREEDMAN: THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR MOLINA'S THREE NOMINEES
- 7 FOR SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 1 HAVE JUST ARRIVED. SO LET ME CALL
- 8 THEM UP FOR ONE MINUTE EACH. JACKIE DUPONT WALKER. EFREN
- 9 MARTINEZ AND MARQUIS DAWSON HARRIS.

- 11 JACKIE DUPONT WALKER: THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR. LOS ANGELES
- 12 TRAFFIC WAS CHALLENGING. I'M JACKIE DUPONT WALKER, PRESIDENT
- 13 OF WARD ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION, MEMBER OF THE
- 14 AFRICAN-AMERICAN REDISTRICTING COLLABORATIVE AND ONE OF THE
- 15 DEVELOPERS OF S-2. I DO BELIEVE AND I'M UNALTERABLY CONVINCED
- 16 THAT S-2 IS A GOOD PLAN. IT IS THE BEST PLAN. IF THERE HAD NOT
- 17 BEEN A NEED FOR THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT OF 1965 TO BE CONTINUED,
- 18 IT WOULD HAVE BEEN ELIMINATED. THE NEED CONTINUES FOR US TO
- 19 ENSURE THAT EVERYONE CAN VOTE FOR A PERSON THAT THEY CHOOSE.
- 20 AND WE BELIEVE THAT THE STATEWIDE EFFORT THAT WE HAVE SEEN
- 21 WITH THE STATE INDICATES TO US HOW IMPORTANT IT IS TO ENSURE
- 22 THAT PERSONS CAN VOTE FOR A PERSON OF THEIR CHOICE. WE URGE
- 23 YOU TODAY TO THINK OF THE COUNTY AS A WHOLE AND TO LOOK AT S-2
- 24 AND THE T PLAN AS ONE THAT WOULD ENSURE THAT EVERY RESIDENT OF



1 THIS COUNTY IS ABLE TO ELECT A PERSON OF THEIR CHOICE. WE KNOW

2 THAT YOU CAN CARE ABOUT THE ENTIRE COUNTY.

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4 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU, MA'AM. YES, SIR.

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- 6 MARQUIS HARRIS DAWSON: MY NAME IS MARQUIS HARRIS DAWSON, I'M
- 7 THE PRESIDENT OF THE COMMUNITY COALITION AND ONE OF THE
- 8 MEMBERS OF THE AFRICAN-AMERICAN REDISTRICTING COLLABORATIVE
- 9 AND DEVELOPER OF MAP S-2. WE WANT THE THANK OUR SUPERVISOR
- 10 RIDLEY-THOMAS FOR EMBRACING THIS PLAN AND HELPING TO CREATE A
- 11 CONVERSATION IN OUR COMMUNITY AND BEYOND ABOUT THE PROTECTION
- 12 OF VOTING RIGHTS. OUR SUPPORT FOR TWO LATINO DISTRICTS IS NOT
- 13 PRIMARILY ABOUT RACE. IT IS ABOUT FOLLOWING THE LAW HERE IN
- 14 NOT ONLY THE UNITED STATES BUT IN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA WITH
- 15 BOTH VOTING RIGHTS ACTS. WE MONITORED CLOSELY THE
- 16 DELIBERATIONS OF THE CALIFORNIA REDISTRICTING COMMISSION. AND
- 17 WE HEARD SIMILAR ARGUMENTS AND SIMILAR TESTIMONY THERE. THAT
- 18 TESTIMONY FORMED THE BASIS FOR THE PLAN THAT WE SUBMITTED TO
- 19 YOU TODAY. WE'VE EMPANELLED AND HEARD FROM CIVIL RIGHTS
- 20 ADVOCATES FROM THE A.P.I. COMMUNITY AND FROM THE LATINO
- 21 COMMUNITY AND FROM THE AFRICAN-AMERICAN COMMUNITY AS WELL. AND
- 22 WE THINK THAT OUR PLAN MEETS THE HIGHEST STANDARDS FOR THE
- 23 VOTING RIGHTS ACT. AND SO WE CONSOLIDATED INCREASINGLY ACTIVE
- 24 BASE OF ELECTORAL POWER.



- 1 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. NOW WE'RE GOING BACK TO THE
- 2 THIRD DISTRICT NOW. NANCY FREEDMAN, ALAN BERNSTEIN, BARBARA
- 3 BROIDE, AND MARYLIN KRELL? YES, SIR.

- 5 ALAN BERNSTEIN: GOOD AFTERNOON, MAYOR ANTONOVICH, HONORABLE
- 6 SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS ALAN BERNSTEIN. I AM THE CHAIR OF THE
- 7 WEST HOLLYWOOD CHAMBER OF COMMERCE BOARD. AND THE CHAMBER OF
- 8 COMMERCE HAS TAKEN A POSITION IN SUPPORT OF A-3 AMENDED IN
- 9 OPPOSITION TO THE OTHER TWO MAPS IN THE BELIEF THAT WE NEED A
- 10 UNIFIED WEST SIDE ECONOMIC BASE FOR TRANSPORTATION, FOR PUBLIC
- 11 SAFETY AND TO ENSURE OUR ECONOMIC EXPANSION DURING THESE
- 12 TRYING TIMES. ON A SEPARATE NOTE, I'M ALSO THE VICE CHAIR OF
- 13 THE BOARD OF NATIONAL GAY AND LESBIAN TASKFORCE AND THE
- 14 INCOMING CHAIR OF THE FAMILY EQUALITY COUNCIL BOARD, TWO
- 15 NATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS THAT FOR OVER 30 YEARS HAVE FOUGHT FOR
- 16 EQUALITY FOR GAY AND LESBIAN PEOPLE AND BISEXUAL AND
- 17 TRANSGENDERED ACROSS THE COUNTRY. AND I MUST POINT OUT IN 2008
- 18 IN THE IN RE MARRIAGE DECISION, THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA RULED
- 19 THAT THE GAY AND LESBIAN COMMUNITY IS DESERVING OF STRICT
- 20 SCRUTINY. THE CURRENT THIRD DISTRICT UNIFIES OUR COMMUNITY. IT
- 21 GIVES US A VOICE IN THIS DISTRICT AND IN THE ENTIRE COUNTY.
- 22 AND IT WOULD BE CRUEL AND IRONIC IF IN OUR FIRST OBLIGATION AS
- 23 A COUNTY TO REDISTRICT WE SEPARATED THIS COMMUNITY OF INTEREST
- 24 INTO VARIOUS DISTRICTS. I URGE YOU TO KEEP THE A-3 AMENDED SO
- 25 WE CAN HAVE A FULL VOICE. THANK YOU.



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2 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: LET ME ALSO CALL UP MR. BRENNER AND

3 RICHARD PACKARD. YES, MA'AM.

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- 5 BARBARA BROIDE: BARBARA BROIDE, PRESIDENT WESTWOOD SOUTH OF
- 6 SANTA MONICA BOULEVARD HOMEOWNERS. WE ARE AT THE DAWN OF A NEW
- 7 ERA IN L.A. COUNTY WITH THE ADVENT OF TERM LIMITS. THINGS ARE
- 8 NOT EVER GOING TO BE THE SAME. WITH MORE FREQUENT CHANGES OF
- 9 REPRESENTATIVES THE BENEFITS OF LONG-TERM RELATIONSHIPS AND
- 10 ASSOCIATED TRUST SO CRITICAL TO BUILDING THE BRIDGE BETWEEN
- 11 GOVERNMENT AND ITS CONSTITUENTS ARE PLACED AT RISK. THE JOB OF
- 12 MAINTAINING CONTINUITY WILL FALL TO THOSE OF US IN THE
- 13 COMMUNITY. YET UNDER PLANS T-1 AND S-2, MANY OF THESE
- 14 ALLIANCES WILL BE DESTROYED BECAUSE SOMEONE, SOMEWHERE HAS
- 15 HYPOTHESIZED THAT NUMBERS AND STATISTICS ARE MORE IMPORTANT
- 16 THAN RELATIONSHIPS. WE FACE ENOUGH IN OUR COMMUNITY WORK
- 17 WITHOUT THE ADDED OBSTACLES BROUGHT ON BY PLANS T-1 AND S-2,
- 18 WHICH SEEK TO MOVE MILLIONS OF OUR CONSTITUENTS FROM THEIR
- 19 DISTRICTS. I PLEAD DON'T DESTROY YEARS OF HARD WORK. DON'T
- 20 MAKE OUR WORK HARDER. WE HAVE DEMONSTRATED OUR TRUSTWORTHINESS
- 21 AT THE POLLS. WE HAVE SHOWN THAT WE CAN, WILL AND DO VOTE
- 22 BEYOND THE MASK OF RACE. NOW IS THE TIME FOR YOU, OUR
- 23 SUPERVISORS, TO DEMONSTRATE YOUR TRUST IN US, THE VOTERS OF
- 24 L.A. COUNTY BY ADOPTING PLAN A-3 AS AMENDED.



- 1 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP AUDREY
- 2 SIMONS AND MR. BRENNER? I UNDERSTAND MR. BRENNER IS HERE. AND
- 3 GORDON MURLEY. YES, MA'AM?

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- 5 MARYLIN KRELL: THANK YOU, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS MARYLIN
- 6 KRELL. I'M PRESIDENT OF THE SOUTH BRENTWOOD RESIDENTS
- 7 ASSOCIATION. AND WE REPRESENT APPROXIMATELY 3,000 HOMEOWNERS
- 8 AND RENTERS IN SOUTH BRENTWOOD. I'D JUST LIKE TO SAY BEFORE MY
- 9 COMMENTS, I KNOW IT'S GOING TO BE A LONG DAY. IT'S BEEN A LONG
- 10 DAY AND IT'S GETTING NOISIER AND NOISIER IN THIS ROOM. IT'S
- 11 HARD TO HEAR THE SPEAKERS WHEN PEOPLE ARE TALKING. I JUST
- 12 WANTED TO MENTION THAT THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT -- AND I KNOW
- 13 THIS HAS BEEN SAID BEFORE -- REQUIRES THAT WE PROTECT THE
- 14 VOTING RIGHTS OF MINORITIES. AND IT CAN BE ACCOMPLISHED
- 15 WITHOUT DISMEMBERING ESTABLISHED COMMUNITIES OF INTEREST. WHAT
- 16 I FIND INTERESTING IS THAT JUST ABOUT EVERYONE WHO HAS SPOKEN
- 17 HAS AGREED WITH THAT. WE WANT TO KEEP COMMUNITIES OF INTEREST
- 18 TOGETHER. AND I JUST WANT TO SAY PLEASE SUPPORT PLAN A-3
- 19 AMENDED. THANK YOU.

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- 21 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP DR. JAN
- 22 HUNTER. YES, MA'AM.

- 24 AUDREY SIMONS: GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. THANK YOU FOR THE
- 25 OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK. MY NAME IS AUDREY SIMONS. I HAVE LIVED,



- 1 WORKED IN HEALTHCARE AND VOLUNTEERED FOR MANY NONPROFIT
- 2 ORGANIZATIONS THROUGHOUT THE THIRD DISTRICT. I AM HERE IN
- 3 SUPPORT OF PLAN A-3 AS AMENDED BECAUSE IN HEALTHCARE,
- 4 RELATIONSHIPS MEAN THAT WE GET SOMETHING DONE. I CURRENTLY SIT
- 5 ON THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF VALLEY CARE COMMUNITY CONSORTIUM.
- 6 AND IN THAT POSITION, I ALSO CO-CHAIR THEIR ORAL HEALTH ACCESS
- 7 COMMITTEES AND THEIR CHRONIC DISEASE COMMITTEE. THE
- 8 RELATIONSHIPS THAT WE HAVE BUILT THROUGH THE HEALTH AND SOCIAL
- 9 SERVICE AGENCIES THAT WE REPRESENT ALLOWS US TO MAKE SURE THAT
- 10 THE MOST VULNERABLE POPULATIONS AMONG US ARE SERVED.
- 11 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY AND THE STAFF OF THE THIRD DISTRICT
- 12 OFFICE HAVE BEEN TERRIBLY SUPPORTIVE OF ALL OF OUR EFFORTS. WE
- 13 ALSO WORK WELL WITH ALL OF OUR ELECTED OFFICIALS IN THE AREA,
- 14 MANY OF WHOM ARE LATINO. WE RESPECTFULLY REQUEST THAT DISTRICT
- 15 3 BE LEFT AS IT IS. THANK YOU.

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- 17 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. IT'S JANET TURNER. JANET
- 18 TURNER I WAS GOING TO CALL. YES, SIR.

- 20 GORDON MURLEY: MY NAME IS GORDON MURLEY. I'M PRESIDENT OF THE
- 21 WOODLAND HILLS HOMEOWNERS' ORGANIZATION, SIT ON THE WARNER
- 22 CENTER- WOODLAND HILLS NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL. I WOULD LIKE TO
- 23 SAY I'M IN FAVOR OF A-3 AMENDED. THE REASON FOR THIS IS WHEN
- 24 YOU LOOK AT THE OTHER TWO MAPS, THEY'VE TOTALLY
- 25 DISENFRANCHISED JUST ALMOST EVERYBODY ELSE IN THE COUNTY. THEY



- 1 HAVE NOT DRAWN THEM SO THAT THEY ARE CONCISE AND COMPACT. THEY
- 2 ARE SO STREWN OUT. THERE IS NO COMMON INTEREST THAT EXISTS
- 3 ANYWHERE. SITTING AND LISTENING TO THE RHETORIC THAT HAS COME
- 4 HERE TODAY REMINDS ME THE OLD SAGE OF STATISTICS DON'T LIE BUT
- 5 STATISTICIANS DO. WE'VE BEEN GIVEN A LOT OF INFORMATION
- 6 WITHOUT ANY FACT TO IT. WE'RE SUPPOSED TO BELIEVE IT BECAUSE
- 7 THEY SAID IT. YOU AS SUPERVISORS WITH THE CURRENT DISTRICTS
- 8 HAVE DONE AN EXCELLENT JOB. IN FACT, I COULD SWITCH YOU AROUND
- 9 IN THOSE DISTRICTS AND THEY WOULD STILL WORK BECAUSE THEY ARE
- 10 DESIGNED TO WORK FOR THE CONSTITUENTS AND NOT LEAVE YOU OUT
- 11 THERE TRYING TO FIGURE OUT WHICH SIDE OF THE STREET YOU ARE
- 12 REPRESENTING.

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14 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU, SIR. THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO

- 15 CALL UP ALEX HOLSHEIMER AND TERRI TIPPIT. MR. PACKARD, GOOD TO
- 16 SEE YOU AGAIN.
- 18 RICHARD PACKARD: THANK YOU, MIKE. IT'S GOOD TO SEE YOU. MY
- 19 NAME IS RICHARD PACKARD. I HAPPEN TO BE THE CHAIR OF THE
- 20 POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE OF THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY BRANCH
- 21 OF THE N.A.A.C.P. I'M ALSO HEADING UP A GROUP CALLED A --
- 22 GROUP, IT'S A BLACK THINK TANK IN THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY. I'M
- 23 HERE TO SUPPORT A-3 AS AMENDED. AND I'M OPPOSED TO T-1 AND S-2
- 24 PLANS. AND I WANT TO JUST CITE VERY BRIEFLY A DIFFERENT
- 25 CONCERN, A DIFFERENT TWIST IN THIS WHOLE DISCUSSION. T-1 AND



- 1 S-2 PLANS ACTUALLY DIMINISH AND DILUTE THE VOTING RIGHTS ACTS
- 2 OF 1965 TO THE INITIAL BENEFACTORS OF THIS ACT. THE PROPOSED
- 3 INTRUSION THAT'S REPRESENTED BY T-1 AND S-2 WILL DIVIDE THE
- 4 AFRICAN MAJORITY VOTING BLOC IN THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY AMONG
- 5 THREE SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS AS OPPOSED TO ONLY TWO. THE
- 6 VOTING RIGHTS ACT, THE SPIRIT IN WHICH IT WAS PASSED WAS TO
- 7 PROTECT MINORITIES, NOT TO DIVIDE OR DIMINISH THEIR VOTING
- 8 RIGHTS ACT. SO I FEEL THAT T-1 AND S-2 WILL DO THAT. IT WILL
- 9 DIMINISH AND DILUTE THE AFRICAN-AMERICAN VOTE IN THE SAN
- 10 FERNANDO VALLEY IF PASSED. THANK YOU.

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- 12 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. MR. PACKARD. GOOD TO SEE
- 13 YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP DAVID ABEL AND JAN REICHMANN. YES.

- 15 JANET TURNER: HELLO, I'M JANET TURNER, THE CHAIR OF PACIFIC
- 16 PALISADES COMMUNITY COUNCIL AND I REPRESENT THE 27,000
- 17 RESIDENTS OF PACIFIC PALISADES. WE ARE HERE TO OPPOSE T-1 AND
- 18 S-2 AND BRING TO YOUR ATTENTION THE UNINTENDED CONSEQUENCES OF
- 19 THESE PLANS THAT WILL NOT ONLY HURT PACIFIC PALISADES BUT
- 20 MANY, MANY MINORITIES. THE CURRENT DISTRICT 3 HAS MANY SOCIAL
- 21 AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMS THAT WILL BE HURT BY THIS CHANGE.
- 22 IT COULD DESTROY OUR PROGRESS TOWARDS RAPID TRANSIT. PACIFIC
- 23 PALISADES NOW ONLY HAS ONE BUS THAT GOES FROM THE PALISADES TO
- 24 DOWNTOWN. WE NEED RAPID TRANSIT. IT COULD CLOSE SOME OF OUR
- 25 PARKS AND RECREATION AREAS. THESE ARE ALL UNITED RIGHT NOW AND



- 1 THEN THEY WILL NOT BE. AND IT WOULD DISRUPT MANY SOCIAL
- 2 SERVICES, BOTH HEALTH, LEGAL AND OUR PIONEERING PROGRAM TO
- 3 FIGHT CHRONIC HOMELESSNESS. WE ASK YOU TO PLEASE VOTE FOR A-3
- 4 AMENDED. THANK YOU.

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6 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: LET ME ALSO CALL UP ALINA MENDIZABAL.

- 8 ALEX HOLSHEIMER: GOOD AFTERNOON HONORABLE MAYOR ANTONOVICH,
- 9 HONORABLE SUPERVISORS AND RESPECTED COLLEAGUES IN THE
- 10 AUDIENCE. MY NAME IS ALEX HOLSHEIMER AND I'M THE PROJECT
- 11 MANAGER OF THE THAI COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CENTER. I'M HERE
- 12 TODAY TO VOICE MY SUPPORT FOR THE A-3 AMENDED REDISTRICTING
- 13 PLAN THAT LARGELY PRESERVES THE POLITICAL COHESION OF THE
- 14 ASIAN PACIFIC ISLANDER COMMUNITY. THE MAJORITY OF THE THAI
- 15 COMMUNITY WHICH IS LOCATED IN EAST HOLLYWOOD, NORTH HOLLYWOOD
- 16 AND OTHER PARTS OF L.A., ARE WITHIN THE THIRD SUPERVISORIAL
- 17 DISTRICT OF ZEV YAROSLAVSKY. WE HAVE ENJOYED EXCELLENT
- 18 COMMUNICATION AND REPRESENTATION FROM SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY
- 19 OVER THE YEARS. THE A.P.I. COMMUNITY IS EMPOWERED WHEN
- 20 REPRESENTED BY A SINGLE SUPERVISOR RATHER THAN BIFURCATED AND
- 21 SPLIT AMONG SEVERAL DISTRICTS. WE ARE COMPLETELY SYMPATHETIC
- 22 WITH THE DESIRE TO CREATE AN ADDITIONAL VOTING RIGHTS
- 23 DISTRICT, BUT NOT TO THE DETRIMENT AND FURTHER POLITICAL
- 24 DISSOLUTION OF THE ASIAN PACIFIC ISLANDER COMMUNITIES. WE ARE
- 25 NOT TRYING TO PIT ONE COMMUNITY AGAINST ANOTHER, BUT INSTEAD



- 1 TRYING TO SUPPORT THE PLAN THAT BEST ADDRESSES THE HUMAN AND
- 2 SOCIAL NEEDS OF THE A.P.I. COMMUNITY. AT THIS TIME, WE'VE ONLY
- 3 SEEN THE A-3 AMENDED PLAN EFFECTIVELY AND EQUITABLY ADDRESS
- 4 THE NEEDS OF THE THAI.

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- 6 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP UP
- 7 ROSIE DAGIT. YES, SIR.

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- 9 DAVID ABEL: GOOD AFTERNOON, MAYOR AND BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MY
- 10 NAME IS DAVID ABEL, I'M A THIRD DISTRICT RESIDENT. I'VE BEEN
- 11 THE CHAIR OF A NUMBER OF NEIGHBORHOOD COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS
- 12 AND ENVIRONMENTAL GROUPS. AND I'VE BEEN A ROBERT KENNEDY
- 13 FELLOW AT THE BEGINNING OF MY POLITICAL LIFE IN SOUTH CAROLINA
- 14 ENFORCING THE CIVIL RIGHTS ACT. I COME IN SUPPORT OF A-3 AS
- 15 AMENDED AND IN OPPOSITION TO T-1 BECAUSE I THINK THE PROBLEM
- 16 TODAY IS, ALTHOUGH ETERNAL VIGILANCE IS THE PRICE OF LIBERTY,
- 17 THE PROBLEM TODAY IS APATHY. AND MOVING 3-1/2 MILLION PEOPLE
- 18 INTO DISTRICTS THAT THEY'VE NEVER HAD REPRESENTATION FROM IN
- 19 TERMS OF ELECTEDS IS ONLY GOING TO ENCOURAGE THAT AND UNDERCUT
- 20 ALL THE EFFORTS OVER THE LAST DECADES BUILT ON THE PROGRESS
- 21 WE'VE MADE ON NEIGHBORHOOD EMPOWERMENT AND COMMUNITY
- 22 EMPOWERMENT. SO I COME IN SUPPORT OF A-3 AND IN OPPOSITION TO
- T-1. THANK YOU.

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25 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU, DAVID. YES, MA'AM.



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- 2 JAN REICHMANN: MY NAME IS JAN REICHMANN. I HAVE LIVED IN THE
- 3 THIRD DISTRICT FOR OVER 40 YEARS AND I'M EXTREMELY FORTUNATE
- 4 TO BE REPRESENTED BY SUPERVISOR ZEV YAROSLAVSKY. NOT ONLY IS
- 5 HIS STAFF A PERFECT EXAMPLE OF ETHNIC DIVERSITY, BUT HE IS
- 6 THERE TO REPRESENT ALL OF HIS CONSTITUENTS EQUALLY. DIVIDING
- 7 THIS DISTRICT WOULD TEAR APART WHAT HAS BEEN BUILT AND
- 8 NURTURED FOR DECADES. PLANS S-2 AND T-1 ARE NOTHING MORE THAN
- 9 BLATANT GERRYMANDERING TO POLARIZE INFLUENCE WHERE NONE IS
- 10 NEEDED. VOTERS OF ALL BACKGROUNDS HAVE CONTINUED TO VOTE FOR
- 11 LATINO CANDIDATES, OUR MAYOR, OUR SHERIFF, OUR ASSESSOR, PROOF
- 12 THAT A NEW POLITICAL ARENA BASED ON RACE IS NOT NEEDED AND
- 13 ABUSES THE ARGUMENTS OF THE FEDERAL VOTING RIGHTS ACT. I URGE
- 14 YOU TO SUPPORT PLAN A-3 AMENDED.

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- 16 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP SUSAN
- 17 KAPLAN. SUSAN KAPLAN? YES, MA'AM.

- 19 ROSIE DAGIT: GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS ROSIE
- 20 DAGIT. I'M THE SENIOR CONSERVATION BIOLOGIST FOR THE RESOURCE
- 21 CONSERVATION DISTRICT OF THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS. ALL OF US
- 22 LIVE IN A WATERSHED. THE WATERSHEDS PROVIDE THE ON-THE-GROUND
- 23 ENVIRONMENT THAT CONNECTS US AND SHAPES OUR COMMUNITIES. THE
- 24 CURRENT DISTRICT BOUNDARIES AS REPRESENTED BY THE A-3 AMENDED
- 25 MAP PROVIDES CONNECTIVITIES NOT ONLY OF OUR COMMUNITIES BUT OF



- 1 OUR WATERSHEDS. AND IT HAS PROVIDED A SUCCESSFUL WAY OF
- 2 LOOKING AT AND EXECUTING PROJECTS IN COMMUNITIES OF INTEREST
- 3 THROUGHOUT THE ENTIRE COUNTY. THE PROPOSED CHANGES REPRESENTED
- 4 BY MAPS T-1 AND S-2 FRAGMENT THESE WATER SHEDS AND WOULD
- 5 DILUTE OUR ABILITY TO SUCCESSFULLY DO SUCH THINGS. POLITICAL
- 6 BOUNDARIES ARE ARBITRARY CONSTRUCTS, BUT WATERSHED BOUNDARIES
- 7 ARE VERY REAL. PEOPLE MOVE, BUT THE LAND REMAINS THE SAME. SO
- 8 WE ENCOURAGE THE BOARD TO RECOGNIZE AND BUILD UPON THE
- 9 EXTRAORDINARY BIODIVERSITY, AND ENVIRONMENTAL UNDERPINNINGS
- 10 THAT OUR WATERSHEDS PROVIDE AND ALLOW OUR COMMUNITIES TO
- 11 CONTINUE TO REFLECT THAT.

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- 13 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. IS NANCY FREEDMAN HERE?
- 14 NANCY FREEDMAN? IS TERRI TIPPIT HERE? TERRI TIPPIT? OKAY. YES,
- 15 YOU'RE ON.

- 17 ALINA MENDIZABAL: HI, MY NAME IS ALINA MENDIZABAL. I WAS TOLD
- 18 THAT MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS IS LOOKING VIA VIDEO. I'M SORRY HE
- 19 COULDN'T BE HERE BECAUSE I KNOW THAT EVERY ONE OF YOU, THE
- 20 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TODAY IS PROBABLY GOING TO DECIDE ON
- 21 TODAY. I'M HERE TO OPPOSE T-1 AND S-2. I AM AN ACTUAL LATINA
- 22 THAT LIVES IN THE DISTRICT, NORTHEAST SAN FERNANDO VALLEY THAT
- 23 WE HAVE LOTS OF LATINOS THAT ARE REPRESENTING US THAT ARE
- 24 WORKING WITH ZEV. I MEAN, YOU KNOW, THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR
- 25 BEING HERE BECAUSE I KNOW THAT IT'S VERY IMPORTANT. I AM



- 1 ACTUALLY A UNION LEADER AS WELL IN MY COMMUNITY. SO, HEY, NO
- 2 WAY GO AWAY. I'M FOR A-3. I'M REALLY HAPPY YOU'RE HERE. THE
- 3 THING IS I'M A LATINA. WE HAVE LATINA REPRESENTATION.
- 4 GERRYMANDERING SHOULDN'T BE HAPPENING IN HERE. WE ARE VERY
- 5 INTELLIGENT, DO NOT INSULT OUR INTELLIGENCE SAYING THAT WE
- 6 LATINOS IN THE NORTHEAST SAN FERNANDO VALLEY CANNOT MAKE OUR
- 7 DECISION ON WHO COULD VOTE FOR US. HE SEES BLUE AND YELLOW,
- 8 NOT COLOR. HE'S A U.C.L.A. PERSON. WE'RE ALL HERE ABOUT BEING
- 9 HERE. I'M HAPPY YOU'RE HERE. THANK YOU FOR BEING HERE. I
- 10 VOTED. I WENT DOOR-TO-DOOR FOR YOU. BUT WHAT I'M SAYING TO YOU
- 11 IS LEAVE US ALONE WE'RE DOING GREAT IN THE NORTHEAST SAN
- 12 FERNANDO VALLEY.

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14 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE.]

16 SUSAN KAPLAN: MY NAME IS SUSAN KAPLAN. I'M SPEAKING BOTH AS A

- 17 30-YEAR RESIDENT OF SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 3 AND ALSO AS A
- 18 REPRESENTATIVE OF 2,000 LATINO, ARMENIAN, AFRICAN-AMERICAN,
- 19 ASIAN, WHITE AND ETHNICALLY MIXED FAMILIES WHO ARE MEMBERS OF
- 20 THE SD-3 FAMILY RESOURCE FAMILY, FRIENDS OF THE FAMILY, OF
- 21 WHICH I'M THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR. WE ARE UNEQUIVOCALLY OPPOSED
- 22 TO PLANS T-1 AND S-2. WE ARE COMMITTED TO ENSURING
- 23 REPRESENTATIVE GOVERNMENT AND TO ENSURING THAT PROTECTED
- 24 GROUPS ARE NOT DISENFRANCHISED. BUT WE ARE EQUALLY DEDICATED
- 25 TO SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS THAT MAKE GEOGRAPHIC SENSE AND



- 1 PROTECT COMMUNITIES OF INTEREST ACROSS ETHNIC GROUPS. TO MAKE
- 2 SENSE, DISTRICTS MUST BE CONTIGUOUS AND COMPACT. T-1 AND S-2
- 3 SUGGEST BOUNDARIES THAT ARE BARELY CONTINUOUS AND FAR FROM
- 4 COMPACT. IT IS COUNTER TO THE BEST INTERESTS OF ALL OF THE THE
- 5 RESIDENTS OF SD-3 AND SD-4 FOR THAT MATTER TO SPLIT US UP
- 6 SCATTERED OVER THREE OR FOUR DISTRICTS WHICH ARE DRAWN IN A
- 7 WAY THAT MEANDERS ALL THROUGH THE COUNTY. GEOGRAPHY,
- 8 NEIGHBORHOODS AND COMMUNITIES MATTER.

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- 10 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. OKAY. NOW WE'RE GOING TO
- 11 CALL UP ANN RUTH. ROBERT THOMB. MICHAEL LEYBA AND JAMES TUNG.
- 12 YOU. JAMES TUNG? OKAY. MICHAEL LEYBA? ANN RUTH? ROBERT THOMB?
- 13 COULD WE GET A MICROPHONE FOR THE FRONT? SUPERVISOR KNABE WILL
- 14 PRESIDE FOR ONE MINUTE.

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16 SUP. KNABE: ANNIE, DO YOU WANT TO GO AHEAD?

- 18 ANN RUTH: HELLO, I'M ANN RUTH. AND I AM IN SUPPORT OF PLAN A-
- 19 3. I'M A PERSON WITH DISABILITY AND KNOW THAT THESE SERVICES
- 20 HAVE BEEN COORDINATED LONG IN THE SOUTH BAY AREA AND DOWNEY
- 21 VERY WELL THROUGH THE RANCHO LOS AMIGOS HOSPITAL. AND IT ALSO
- 22 SUPPORTS DON KNABE IN HIS SERVICES AND HE'S DONE EXTREMELY
- 23 INCREDIBLE WORK THERE AND FOR PEOPLE IN THE SOUTH BAY, AS
- 24 WELL. HE'S AN INCREDIBLE PERSON AND SERVES MANY PEOPLE WITH



- 1 DISABILITIES AND DIVERSITIES IN ALL AREAS. SO WE STRONGLY
- 2 SUPPORT PLAN A-3. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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- 4 SUP. KNABE: THANK YOU, ANNIE. ROBERT? JAMES, DO YOU WANT TO GO
- 5 AHEAD? WHILE ANNIE AND ROBERT SWITCH THERE. GO AHEAD.

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- 7 CHARLES LUE [INTERPRETER]: MY NAME IS CHARLES LUE. [SPEAKS
- 8 CHINESE] I AM A CHINESE-AMERICAN CITIZEN. ROWLAND HEIGHTS
- 9 RESIDENT FOR 27 YEARS. I'M HERE TO SUPPORT A-3 PLAN. I'M THE
- 10 OLDEST PERSON IN THE ROWLAND HEIGHTS ASIAN-AMERICAN SENIOR
- 11 ASSOCIATION, SPEAKING ON BEHALF OF ROWLAND HEIGHTS ASIAN
- 12 SENIORS. THE SPIRIT OF DEMOCRACY IS TO ELECT ABLE AND CAPABLE
- 13 PERSONS TO TAKE CARE OF THEIR CONSTITUENTS. NOT FOR SPECIFIC -
- 14 OR COLOR. THAT'S WHY WE ELECTED OBAMA FOR OUR PRESIDENT
- 15 BECAUSE HE CAN TAKE CARE OF US. THEREFORE I URGE YOU TO VOTE
- 16 A-3 PLAN. THANK YOU.

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- 18 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SIR. SHOW YOUR
- 19 HANDS, PLEASE. YES, SIR.

- 21 ROBERT THOMB: MY NAME IS ROBERT THOMB. I'M A RESIDENT OF
- 22 WHITTIER. I AM A LATINO. I'M A MEMBER OF THE LARGEST MINORITY
- 23 ON THE PLANET, THE MINORITY OF DISABLED PEOPLE. THIS MINORITY
- 24 IS ALL INCLUSIVE, ALL ENCOMPASSING. IT TAKES EVERY ONE AND
- 25 EVERYBODY. WE ARE BLACK, WE ARE WHITE, WE ARE BROWN, WE ARE



- 1 RED WE ARE YELLOW, WE ARE BUDDHISTS. WE ARE MUSLIMS, WE ARE
- 2 CHRISTIANS. WE ARE ATHEISTS. WE ARE AGNOSTICS. WE ARE
- 3 EVERYONE. AND THE ONLY ONE THAT I CAN SAY WITH FULL CONVICTION
- 4 WHO IS IN SUPPORT OF THE NEEDS OF THE DISABLED COMMUNITY IS
- 5 DON KNABE. I KNOW HE'S A REPUBLICAN. I TRY NOT TO HOLD THAT
- 6 AGAINST HIM. [LAUGHTER.] BUT I'VE SEEN HIM IN ACTION. AND I
- 7 KNOW WHEN THERE'S A NEED TO BE ADDRESSED HE IS ON TOP OF IT
- 8 UNTIL THERE'S A SOLUTION.

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- 10 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU SIR, THANK YOU VERY MUCH.
- 11 THANK YOU FOR COMING DOWN AGAIN VERY MUCH. LET ME ALSO CALL UP
- 12 MARIKO KAHN, HERB HATANAKA, TERRY MALKIN. YES, SIR.

- 14 MICHAEL LEYBA: HELLO, MY NAME IS MICHAEL LEYBA, I'M A 23-YEAR-
- 15 OLD COLLEGE DEMOCRAT HERE SPEAKING IN FAVOR OF A-3 DISTRICT
- 16 MAP FOR TWO MAIN REASONS. FIRST, I STUDIED THE CHICANO RIGHTS
- 17 MOVEMENT. I IDENTIFY MYSELF AS LATINO AND A SUPPORTER OF MANY
- 18 LATINO CAUSES. NEVERTHELESS FOR ANYONE TO TELL ME THAT I HAVE
- 19 TO BE DRAWN INTO A LATINO DISTRICT JUST SO I CAN VOTE FOR A
- 20 CANDIDATE THAT IS THE SAME RACE AS I IS INSULTING TO PEOPLE
- 21 THAT ARE LATINO. [APPLAUSE.] IT IMPLIES THAT WE ARE INCAPABLE
- 22 OF ELECTING SOMEONE TO REPRESENT OUR OWN INTERESTS. SECONDLY,
- 23 I BELIEVE THAT NONE OF THESE MAPS ARE IN VIOLATION OF THE
- 24 VOTING RIGHTS ACT. IN -- 1986, THE MAJORITY AND MINORITY RACES
- 25 AND THE IMPERIAL GATEWAY COMMUNITIES ARE VERY MUCH INTEGRATED



- 1 AND DO NOT TEND TO VOTE IN RACIAL BLOCS. WE VOTE BASED SOLELY
- 2 WHAT IS BEST FOR OUR COMMUNITIES. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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4 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: LET ME CALL UP SENATOR PADILLA?

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- 6 HERB HATANAKA: I'M HERB HATANAKA, BOARD MEMBER OF ASIAN
- 7 PACIFIC POLICY AND PLANNING COUNCIL. WE ARE HERE TODAY, A.P.I.
- 8 COMMUNITIES, TO SUPPORT THE A-3 AMENDED PLAN BECAUSE IT
- 9 MAINTAINS OUR COMMUNITIES OF INTEREST, OUR HISTORICAL
- 10 COMMUNITIES AS WELL AS MAINTAINS THE ACCESS THAT WE'VE HAD TO
- 11 EACH OF YOU ON THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. I WANT TO
- 12 PARTICULARLY ACKNOWLEDGE FOR THE RECORD THAT SUPERVISOR
- 13 RIDLEY-THOMAS AND SUPERVISOR MOLINA, WE HAVE ALWAYS
- 14 APPRECIATED AND ACKNOWLEDGE THE SUPPORT THAT YOU'VE GIVEN
- 15 A.P.I. COMMUNITIES. YOU'VE MET WITH US DIRECTLY. YOUR STAFF
- 16 HAVE BEEN ACCESSIBLE TO US. YOU FUNDED AGENCIES TO SERVE
- 17 A.P.I. COMMUNITIES. AND AS A RESULT HAD A GREAT IMPACT ON THE
- 18 COMMUNITIES IN YOUR DISTRICT. WE URGE YOU TO SUPPORT THE A-3
- 19 AMENDED PLAN.

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21 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU, SIR. YES, MA'AM.

- 23 MARIKO KAHN: MY NAME IS MARIKO KAHN, AND I'M THE PRESIDENT OF
- 24 A-3PCON. AS WE HAVE TESTIFIED BEFORE WE ARE IN SUPPORT OF THE
- 25 A-3 PLAN BECAUSE IT DISRUPTS THE LEAST NUMBER OF RESIDENTS,



- 1 MAINTAINS A.P.I. COMMUNITIES OF INTEREST AND MAINTAINS
- 2 DISTRICTS WITH A DISTRIBUTION OF VOICES OF ALL ETHNICITIES. WE
- 3 ALSO WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE LONGTIME SUPPORT OF ALL OF THE
- 4 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR THE A.P.I. COMMUNITIES AND
- 5 ORGANIZATIONS. FOR EXAMPLE, BOTH SUPERVISORS MARK RIDLEY-
- 6 THOMAS AND GLORIA MOLINA HAVE MET WITH A-3PCON, THEIR STAFFS
- 7 HAVE WORKED WITH OUR MEMBER ORGANIZATIONS. A-3PCON WILL
- 8 CONTINUE TO WORK WITH EACH OF THE SUPERVISORS TO FIND
- 9 SOLUTIONS FOR THE NEEDS OF A.P.I.S. AND WE FEEL THIS CAN BEST
- 10 BE ACCOMPLISHED UNDER A-3. THANK YOU.

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- 12 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU, MA'AM. LET ME ALSO CALL UP
- 13 JOHN HSU. JOHN HSU. YES, SIR.

- 15 JOHN HSU: GOOD AFTERNOON. I'M JOHN HSU AND TERI MALKIN IS BY
- 16 MY SIDE. WE'RE HERE TO SUPPORT A-3, OPPOSE T-1 AND S-2. WE'RE
- 17 BOTH FROM ROWLAND HEIGHTS. TERI AND HER HUSBAND DAVID AND I
- 18 ARE INVOLVED IN MANY COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES. EVEN A CURSORY
- 19 GLANCE OF SURNAMES ON THE ATTACHED ROSTER WOULD SHOW THAT OUR
- 20 COMMUNITY OF ROWLAND HEIGHTS IS WELL REPRESENTED BY A DIVERSE
- 21 GROUP OF LEADERS AND PARTICIPANTS. OUR FRIENDSHIP RACIAL
- 22 BOUNDARIES, WE WORK TOGETHER FOR THE COMMON GOOD OF OUR
- 23 COMMUNITY AND NOT JUST IN ROWLAND HEIGHTS BUT WITH OUR
- 24 NEIGHBORS, AS WELL. WE HAVE LONG ESTABLISHED RELATIONSHIPS
- 25 WITH OUR GOVERNMENT. UNDER BOTH ALTERNATIVE PLANS S-2 AND T-1,



- 1 MILLIONS OF PEOPLE WILL BE NEEDLESSLY MOVED, DESTROYING THE
- 2 CONNECTIONS AND RELATIONSHIPS WE HAVE BUILD IN DECADES. WE
- 3 BELIEVE INTEGRATION BUT NOT SEGREGATION.

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- 5 TERI MALKIN: NUMBERS DON'T LIE. BOTH S-2 AND T-1 HAVE HIGHER
- 6 POPULATION DEVIATION RATES THAN A-3, WHICH MAKES A-3 THE PLAN
- 7 MOST COMPLIANT WITH THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT, CONTRARY TO WHAT S-
- 8 2 AND T-1 PROPONENTS CLAIM. PLACING OUR COMMUNITY, WHICH OF
- 9 ROWLAND HEIGHTS, WHICH IS 60 PERCENT ASIAN PACIFIC AMERICAN
- 10 AND 27 PERCENT HISPANIC IN A DISTINCT THAT IS OVER 60 PERCENT
- 11 HISPANIC AND LESS THAN 16 PERCENT A.P.I. AS PLANS S-2 AND T-1
- 12 DO SETS UP ARTIFICIAL RACE-BASED BARRIERS THAT DILUTE AND
- 13 UNDER REPRESENT THE A.P.I. MAJORITY IN ROWLAND HEIGHTS. THESE
- 14 PLANS MOVE US IN THE WRONG DIRECTION AND DO NOT REPRESENT OUR
- 15 DIVERSE COMMUNITY AND ITS VALUES. THEY JEOPARDIZE OUR STATUS
- 16 AS THE BEST PLACE TO RAISE KIDS IN CALIFORNIA 2011 BY BUSINESS
- 17 WEEK AND SET UP POSSIBLE COURT ACTION FOR VOTING RIGHTS
- 18 VIOLATIONS OF ASIAN PACIFIC ISLANDERS. THAT'S WHY A-TRES IS LA
- 19 UNICA OPCION PARA ROWLAND HEIGHTS.

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- 21 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. LET ME ALSO CALL
- 22 UP LYNNE EBENKAMP, CHRIS SANCHEZ, AND PASIN CHANOU. SENATOR?

- 24 SEN. ALEX PADILLA: MR. MAYOR, BOARD MEMBERS. THANK YOU FOR THE
- 25 OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK. YOU CERTAINLY HAVE A TREMENDOUS TASK



- 1 BEFORE YOU. AS MANY WHO HAVE TESTIFIED BEFORE ME HAVE
- 2 ARTICULATED, I'D LIKE TO EMPHASIZE THE CENSUS TRENDS FROM
- 3 AROUND THE COUNTRY WE'RE CERTAINLY SEEING IN CALIFORNIA AND
- 4 NOWHERE MORE SO THAN RIGHT HERE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. THE
- 5 BIGGEST CONTRIBUTING DYNAMIC TO THE POPULATION GROWTH HAS BEEN
- 6 THE GROWTH OF THE LATINO COMMUNITY. 450,000 NEW LATINOS IS
- 7 PART OF THE GROWTH OF THE COUNTY, MAKING UP 65 PERCENT OF THE
- 8 COUNTY'S GROWTH OVER THE LAST DECADE, PUTTING THE LATINO
- 9 COMMUNITY NOW AS A REPRESENTATIVE OF MORE THAN A THIRD OF THE
- 10 CITIZEN VOTING AGE POPULATION AND MORE THAN HALF OF THE
- 11 POPULATION OVERALL. THE TASK OF REDISTRICTING IS TO NOT JUST
- 12 BALANCE THE POPULATIONS DISTRICT BY DISTRICT WITHIN THOSE
- 13 STANDARD DEVIATIONS BUT TO DO SO RECOGNIZING VOTING RIGHTS ACT
- 14 AND SUFFICIENT CASE LAW THAT HAS HAPPENED SINCE THE INITIAL
- 15 PASSAGE OF THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT. AND YOU HAVE TO RECOGNIZE
- 16 AND REFLECT THE CENSUS NUMBERS AND THOSE TRENDS. WHAT I AND
- 17 MANY OTHERS ARE ASKING FOR IS NOT JUST A SECOND --

19 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU SENATOR, YOUR TIME IS UP.

- 21 SEN. ALEX PADILLA: BUT WITH LATINO COMMUNITY CAN ELECT A
- 22 CANDIDATE OF THEIR CHOICE. YOU HAVE THAT OPTION BEFORE YOU.
- 23 THANK YOU.

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25 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. YES, MA'AM.



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2 SPEAKER: HONORABLE SUPERVISORS. GOOD AFTERNOON. I HOPE THAT

3 YOU HAVE ALL READ THE PLANS THOROUGHLY WITH OPEN MINDS. IT IS

4 SAID THAT THE A-3 PLAN IS NOT ACCEPTABLE BECAUSE THE HISPANIC

5 POPULATION NEEDS TO BE REPRESENTED BY A MAJORITY OF VOTERS IN

6 TWO DISTRICTS. LOOK CLOSELY AND YOU WILL SEE IN THE A-3 PLAN,

7 HISPANICS ARE THE GREATEST NUMBER OF VOTING AGE RESIDENTS NOT

8 IN TWO BUT THREE OF THE FIVE DISTRICTS. YES, IN A-3'S PLAN,

9 EACH OF THE FIRST, SECOND AND FOURTH DISTRICTS, THE HISPANIC

10 GROUP DOMINATES. THE S-2 AND T-1 PLANS ARE UNREASONABLE

11 BECAUSE THEY FORM HISPANIC SUPER MAJORITY DISTRICTS. AND THIS

12 IS GERRYMANDERING IN THE WORST POSSIBLE WAY. THESE TWO PLANS

13 MAKE SURE THAT NO GROUP OTHER THAN LATINO HAS A CHANCE FOR

14 CANDIDATES TO BE ELECTED. YOU OWE IT TO RESIDENTS OF THE

15 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES TO COME TO A 4-1 MAJORITY VOTE TODAY.

16 THE A-3 PLAN MEETS THE CRITERIA THAT DISTRICT 1 AND 2

17 SUPERVISORS SEEK, SO IT SHOULD BE AMENABLE TO ALL SUPERVISORS.

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19 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP SHIRLEY

20 LEE AND LUZ PEREZ. YES, MA'AM.

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22 CHRIS SANCHEZ: MY NAME IS CHRIS SANCHEZ, A RESIDENT OF

23 HACIENDA HEIGHTS FOR 40 YEARS. WE ALL AGREE THAT SUPERVISOR

24 KNABE AND HIS STAFF HAVE DONE AN EXCELLENT JOB FOR THE FOURTH

25 DISTRICT. THIS VOTE IS TO SECURE THE A-3 REDISTRICTING PLAN.



- 1 IT IS ALSO A VOTE AGAINST THE GERRYMANDERING OF A DISTRICT TO
- 2 A PREDOMINANTLY HISPANIC VOTING BLOC. THIS IS AMERICA, WHERE
- 3 EVERYONE HAS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY TO RUN FOR OFFICE IF
- 4 QUALIFIED REGARDLESS OF ETHNICITY. AS AN AMERICAN WITH A PROUD
- 5 HISPANIC LAST NAME, I ABHOR AND RESENT BEING CLASSIFIED AS
- 6 HISPANIC WHEN MY PRECIOUS VOTE IS BEING COURTED BY
- 7 POLITICIANS, EXPECTING ME TO VOTE FOR THEM FOR NO OTHER REASON
- 8 BUT THAT I SHOULD VOTE FOR ONE OF MY OWN. I PROTECT MY VOTE SO
- 9 CAREFULLY THAT I WILL NOT EVEN VOTE BY MAIL, A PROCESS WHICH
- 10 HAS BEEN CORRUPTED. MISS MOLINA'S HISPANIC BLOC PLAN IS ALSO A
- 11 CORRUPTION OF THE VOTING PROCESS. I VOTE FOR MY CANDIDATE OF
- 12 CHOICE EVERY TIME I VOTE. IF YOU ADOPT MISS MOLINA'S PLAN, YOU
- 13 WILL TAKE AWAY MY RIGHT TO VOTE FOR MY CANDIDATE OF CHOICE.

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- 15 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. LET ME ALSO CALL
- 16 UP JEFF FARBER? AND PAULO VELASQUEZ. YES, MA'AM. OR YES, SIR.

- 18 PASIN CHANOU: GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS PASIN CHANOU. I AM
- 19 THE CHAIRMAN OF CAMBODIA TOWN, INC., A NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION
- 20 WITH A MISSION TO PRESERVE CAMBODIAN CULTURE AND IMPROVE THE
- 21 SOCIOECONOMIC WELL-BEING OF BUSINESS OWNERS AND RESIDENTS IN
- 22 LONG BEACH. WE SUPPORT PLAN A-3 BECAUSE IT PRESERVES OUR
- 23 COMMUNITIES AND OUR STRONG RELATIONSHIP WITH ALL THE A.P.I.
- 24 ORGANIZATIONS. WE OPPOSE PLAN S-2 AND T-1 BECAUSE THEY WILL
- 25 SPLIT OUR COMMUNITIES, DISRUPT OUR RELATIONSHIP WITH ALL THE



- 1 A.P.I. ORGANIZATIONS AND WEAKEN OUR COLLECTIVE VOICE. WITH THE
- 2 HELP OF ESTABLISHED A.P.I. ORGANIZATIONS WE ARE STARTING TO
- 3 MAKE CONCRETE PROGRESS IN IMPROVING OUR LIVES SO ANY
- 4 DISRUPTIONS WILL CAUSE MAJOR SETBACKS. PLEASE DO NOT TEAR
- 5 APART OUR COMMUNITIES, ORDER PLAN A-3. THANK YOU.

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- 7 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU, SIR. ALSO CALL UP PAUL
- 8 VALEZ. PAUL VALEZ. YES, MA'AM.

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- 10 PAUL VALEZ SALAZAR: MY NAME IS PAUL VALEZ SALAZAR. I'M A
- 11 RESIDENT OF LONG BEACH AND I SUPPORT A-3 AMENDMENT. I'M ALSO A
- 12 VETERAN OF THE UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS AND ARMY WHO SERVED
- 13 BOTH IN IRAQ AND AFGHANISTAN AS AN INFANTRY MAN. I SPOKE TO
- 14 THE BOARD BEFORE ON THIS ISSUE AND WAS NOT PLANNING TO SPEAK
- 15 AGAIN UNTIL THIS MORNING. AS I WAS IN LINE WITH MY GROUP,
- 16 WHILE I WAITED I WAS VERBALLY ASSAULTED BY PROPONENTS OF THE
- 17 T-1 AND S-2 PLANS WHO CALLED ME BASICALLY RACIST, A TRAITOR TO
- 18 MY OWN RACE. AND THEN ALSO I SAW SHERIFFS, OUR GREAT SHERIFFS
- 19 THAT WE HAVE HERE, CALLED FASCISTS. THAT TO ME, THIS IS THE
- 20 MOST REPREHENSIBLE KIND OF RACISM I'VE EVER SEEN. AND I'M
- 21 ORIGINALLY FROM TEXAS, SO THIS IS PRETTY BAD. [LAUGHTER.] I DO
- 22 NOT BELIEVE THAT RACE SHOULD BE A SOLE CRITERIA FOR ELECTING A
- 23 OUALIFIED PUBLIC SERVANT. I BELIEVE THAT THE CHARACTER,
- 24 SKILLS, COMMITMENT AND RELATIONSHIP MATTER MORE THAN RACE.



- 1 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU SIR. USE YOUR HAND NOT YOUR
- 2 MOUTH. USE THE HANDS IN THE AIR NOT APPLAUDING. OKAY. GRACE
- 3 YOO AND RICHARD HERNANDEZ. YES, MA'AM.

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- 5 LUZ PEREZ: I'M HERE TO SUPPORT A-3. MY NAME IS LUZ PEREZ. AND
- 6 I'M A DOWNEY RESIDENT AND THE COORDINATOR OF DOWNY UNIFIED
- 7 SCHOOL DISTRICT'S T.L.C. FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER, A NONPROFIT
- 8 THAT OFFERS A VARIETY OF HUMAN SERVICES TO UNDERPRIVILEGED
- 9 CHILDREN. I'M SIMPLY HERE, I'M A SOCIAL WORKER. I'M NOT REALLY
- 10 INTO THIS. BUT I'M JUST SIMPLY HERE TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE SUPPORT
- 11 OUR SUPERVISOR'S OFFICE, DON KNABE'S OFFICE HAS PROVIDED TO
- 12 THE T.L.C. CENTER WHICH ADDRESSES THE MANY ISSUES OUR NEEDIEST
- 13 STUDENTS IN THE CITY OF DOWNEY FACE. THANK YOU.

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15 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU, MA'AM. MR. FARBER.

- 17 JEFF FARBER: GOOD AFTERNOON HONORABLE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF THE
- 18 BOARD. MY NAME IS JEFF FARBER, I'M THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF
- 19 HELPLINE YOUTH COUNSELING. WE SERVE NEARLY 5000 YOUTH AND
- 20 PARENTS IN DISTRICTS 4 AND 1. I'M HERE IN SUPPORT OF PLAN A-3
- 21 AMENDED. THE RESIDENTS WE SERVE WANT REPRESENTATIVE LEADERSHIP
- 22 AND THAT IS WHAT WE RECEIVE FROM A-3 AMENDED. RELATIONSHIPS
- 23 ARE BUILT ON TRUST, TIME, FAITH AND EXPERIENCE. WE HAVE THAT
- 24 FROM SUPERVISOR KNABE AND HIS STAFF. I BELIEVE I URGE YOU TO
- 25 SUPPORT PLAN A-3 AMENDED AND KEEP OUR COMMUNITIES UNIFIED AND



- 1 NOT FORCE OVER 3 MILLION PEOPLE TO MOVE THEIR DISTRICT
- 2 REPRESENTATION AND HAVE TO SPEND MILLIONS OF DOLLARS AND YEARS
- 3 TO BUILD NEW RELATIONSHIPS WITH THOSE ELECTED OFFICIALS.

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- 5 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP DOLORES
- 6 NASON. YES, MA'AM.

- 8 GRACE YOO: GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS GRACE YOO,
- 9 AND I'M THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AT THE KOREAN-AMERICAN
- 10 COALITION, WHICH ADVOCATES ON BEHALF OF THE COMMUNITY FOR
- 11 CIVIC AND CIVIL RIGHTS INTERESTS OF THE KOREAN COMMUNITY.
- 12 K.C.'S OFFICE IS LOCATED IN KOREA TOWN, WHICH IS SERVICED BY
- 13 BOTH SUPERVISORS MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS AND ZEV YAROSLAVSKY. WE
- 14 ARE PLEASED TO SAY THAT WE HAVE A GREAT RELATIONSHIP WITH BOTH
- 15 OFFICES AND WE THANK YOU. WE ALSO WANT TO REMIND YOU THAT THE
- 16 ANNUAL LEGISLATIVE LUNCHEON IS NOVEMBER 17 AND WE LOOK FORWARD
- 17 TO SEEING YOU ALL THEN. K.C. WOULD APPRECIATE HAVING KOREA
- 18 TOWN KEPT INTACT IN ONE DISTRICT. AND WE ARE HERE TO SUPPORT
- 19 A-3 FOR TWO BASIC REASONS: ONE, IT KEEPS OUR SISTER A.A.P.I.
- 20 COMMUNITIES TOGETHER. AND THE A-3 PLAN REALLY ONLY DIVIDES
- 21 FOUR COMMUNITIES, UNLIKE S-2 AND T-1, WHICH DIVIDE MORE THAN
- 22 30 COMMUNITIES. AND THE LESS PEOPLE THAT ARE MOVED, THE
- 23 BETTER. AND THEREFORE, A-3, AS IT MOVES THE LEAST AMOUNT OF
- 24 PEOPLE, IS THE BETTER SOLUTION, AND WITH ONLY A QUARTER
- 25 MILLION --



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- 2 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. THANK YOU.
- 3 PATRICE WONG. YES, SIR.

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- 5 RICHARD HERNANDEZ: HELLO, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS RICHARD
- 6 HERNANDEZ. AND I'M FROM THE FOURTH DISTRICT, THE LONG BEACH
- 7 AREA. AND I'M HERE TO SUPPORT 3 AND OPPOSE THE 1 AND 2. WE
- 8 BASICALLY WORK WITH THE DISABLED COMMUNITY AND SENIORS. AND WE
- 9 HAVE A GOOD WORKING RELATIONSHIP WITH OUR SUPERVISOR KNABE. IT
- 10 TOOK A LONG TIME FOR US TO EDUCATE HIM. AND HE TOOK A LONG
- 11 TIME FOR HIM TO EDUCATE US. AND THAT'S BEEN WORKING FOR YEARS
- 12 AND IT WILL CONTINUE TO WORK. I MEAN, IT HAS BEEN WORKING SO
- 13 FAR UP TILL NOW. WE HOPE THAT IF YOU MUST REDISTRICT THE AREA,
- 14 WE HOPE THAT YOU DO THE LEAST POSSIBLE RESISTANCE SO THAT
- 15 THERE WON'T BE A GREAT IMPACT ON THE COMMUNITY. THE DISABLED
- 16 COMMUNITY WILL BE HURT IF THERE'S A BIG CHANGE AND THEY ARE
- 17 LEFT IN THE DARK. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

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19 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: WAS HE A GOOD STUDENT?

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21 RICHARD HERNANDEZ: VERY GOOD.

- 23 DOLORES NASON: I'M DOLORES NASON, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF
- 24 DISABLED RESOURCE CENTER IN LONG BEACH. AND I WOULD LIKE TO
- 25 RESPECTFULLY TELL YOU WHY I SUPPORT PLAN A-3. I AM A PERSON



- 1 WITH A DISABILITY. AND I AM PART OF A COMMUNITY OF INTEREST. I
- 2 AM CONCERNED BECAUSE THE OTHER TWO PLANS DIVIDE RANCHO LOS
- 3 AMIGOS HOSPITAL WHERE I LIVE AND WORK IN LONG BEACH. THIS IS
- 4 TROUBLESOME. BECAUSE OVER THE YEARS, WE HAVE DEVELOPED A CLOSE
- 5 WORKING RELATIONSHIP WITH ORGANIZATIONS IN THE FOURTH
- 6 DISTRICTS. PLAN A-3 KEEPS OUR COMMUNITY INTACT. AND THAT IS
- 7 WHY I'VE COME TODAY TO VOICE MY SUPPORT FOR THE PLAN.
- 8 SUPERVISOR KNABE HAS WORKED SO HARD WITH PEOPLE WITH
- 9 DISABILITIES AND FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES, AND HE'S OUR
- 10 VOICE ON THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. AND HE'S SO IMPORTANT TO
- 11 OUR WORK AND TO THE PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES THAT WE WORK
- 12 WITH. THANK YOU.

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- 14 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. LET ME ALSO CALL
- 15 UP XIOMARA CORNEJO, GABY RAMIREZ. ROBERT JONES. STEVE PARK.
- 16 YES, MA'AM.

- 18 PATRICE WONG: GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS PATRICE WONG AND I'M
- 19 THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF LONG BEACH DAY NURSERY. I'M ALSO
- 20 HERE AS THE FOURTH DISTRICT APPOINTEE TO THE COUNTY CHILD CARE
- 21 PLANNING COMMITTEE AND AS VICE CHAIR OF THE CITY OF LONG BEACH
- 22 EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION COMMITTEE. I'M HERE IN SUPPORT OF
- 23 PLAN A-3. IT'S BEEN IMPLIED THAT A-3 IS NOT COMPLIANT WITH THE
- 24 VOTING RIGHTS ACT HERE. AND IT'S MY UNDERSTANDING THAT ALL THE
- 25 PROPOSED PLANS HAVE BEEN FOUND TO BE COMPLIANT WITH THE ACT.



- 1 BUT ONLY PLAN A-3 RECOGNIZES THE INTEGRITY OF RELATIONSHIPS,
- 2 CONNECTIONS AND LINKAGES THAT HAVE BEEN BUILT OVER THE PAST
- 3 DECADES IN OUR COMMUNITIES. THE REASSIGNMENTS AND THE OTHER
- 4 PROPOSALS ARE NOT ONLY UNNECESSARY AND DISRUPTIVE, THEY WILL
- 5 IN FACT DAMAGE COMMUNITIES THAT HAVE SHARED THE SAME ISSUES,
- 6 SERVICES, AND REPRESENTATION FOR MORE THAN 20 YEARS. IT DOES
- 7 NOT MAKE ANY SENSE TO DIVIDE LONG BEACH, WHICH IS THE SECOND
- 8 LONGEST CITY IN THE COUNTY AND HOME TO HALF A MILLION
- 9 RESIDENTS INTO TWO DISTRICTS WHICH WILL LIKELY DILUTE OUR
- 10 VOICE AS A CITY. WELL NOT LIKELY, IT WILL DILUTE OUR VOICE AS
- 11 A CITY. AND HAMPER OUR ABILITY TO ENSURE QUALITY AND
- 12 TIMELINESS OF SERVICES ON BEHALF OF OUR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES.
- 13 THANK YOU.

- 15 XIOMARA CORNEJO: RESIDENT DISTRICT 2. GENTLENESS, SELF-
- 16 SACRIFICE AND GENEROSITY ARE THE EXCLUSIVE POSSESSION OF NO
- 17 ONE RACE OR RELIGION. MAHATMA GANDHI. SUPERVISOR DON KNABE HAS
- 18 FOR YEARS ADVOCATED AND SUPPORTED THE RESIDENTS OF DISTRICT 4.
- 19 NOW WE ARE HERE TO SUPPORT HIM. JUST TAKE A LOOK BEHIND ME NOT
- 20 BECAUSE WE SHARE THE SAME COLOR OF SKIN BUT BECAUSE WE SHARE
- 21 THE SAME VALUES. IT TAKES TIME AND EFFORT TO BUILD
- 22 RELATIONSHIPS AND TRUST AMONG CITY RESIDENTS, COMMUNITY-BASED
- 23 ORGANIZATIONS, AND INSTITUTIONS FOR US TO SAY THAT WE ARE
- 24 REALLY WORKING TOGETHER. THE WORK IS BEING DONE. WE NEED TO
- 25 HONOR THESE RELATIONSHIPS AND ACKNOWLEDGE THE PROGRESS IN OUR

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- 1 COMMUNITIES AND OUR DESIRE TO PARTNER WITH EACH OTHER. WHY
- 2 TAKE A STEP BACK WHEN WE CAN CONTINUE TO MOVE FORWARD? I MAY
- 3 NOT LOOK LIKE DON KNABE AND HE MAY NOT LOOK LIKE ME. HE'S
- 4 OBVIOUSLY MUCH TALLER. [LAUGHTER.] BUT HIS WORK SPEAKS FOR
- 5 ITSELF AND IT IS BECAUSE OF HIS WORK AND HIS RELATIONSHIP TO
- 6 THE COMMUNITIES OF DISTRICT 4 THAT I, ALONG WITH MANY OTHERS
- 7 SUPPORT PLAN A-3. JUST TAKE A LOOK BEHIND ME! [APPLAUSE.]

9 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. YES, SIR OR MA'AM.

11 GABY RAMIREZ: GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS GABY RAMIREZ. I'M A

- 12 RESIDENT OF WILMINGTON AND A MEMBER OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD ACTION
- 13 COUNCIL. I'M HERE WITH 150 OTHER SUPPORTERS. WE ARE ALL IN
- 14 SUPPORT OF PLAN A-3 AND OPPOSED TO T-1, S-2. WE DON'T WANT OUR
- 15 EXISTING COMMUNITY RELATIONSHIPS DISRUPTED IN ANY WAY. WE'VE
- 16 DEVELOPED OVER A LONG PERIOD OF TIME A GOOD RELATIONSHIP WITH
- 17 SUPERVISOR DON KNABE AND HIS STAFF. HE'S BEEN VERY RESPONSIVE
- 18 TO THE PEOPLE'S NEED IN MY COMMUNITY AND THE NONPROFITS IN OUR
- 19 AREA, ONE OF THEM BEING SOUTH BAY CENTER COMMUNITY
- 20 DEVELOPMENT. HIS CONTRIBUTION TO OUR DISTRICT HAS BEEN
- 21 OUTSTANDING. I RESPECTFULLY REJECT SUPERVISOR MOLINA'S
- 22 POSITION. IT IS DISRESPECTFUL TO ASSUME THAT VOTERS WILL VOTE
- 23 ONLY FOR CANDIDATES OF THEIR OWN RACE. VOTERS IN DON KNABE'S
- 24 DISTRICT UNDERSTAND THAT THE CONTENT OF HIS CHARACTER IS MORE
- 25 IMPORTANT THAN THE COLOR OF HIS SKIN. AND AS MARTIN LUTHER



- 1 KING, JR. SAID, "I HAVE A DREAM THAT MY FOUR LITTLE CHILDREN
- 2 WILL ONE DAY LIVE IN A NATION WHERE THEY WILL NOT BE JUDGED BY
- 3 THE COLOR OF THEIR SKIN BUT BY THE CONTENT OF THEIR
- 4 CHARACTER".

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- 6 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. LET ME ALSO CALL
- 7 UP -- ARE YOU ROBERT? OKAY. LET ME ALSO CALL UP TERRI
- 8 NISHIMURA AND BETTY MORSE.

- 10 ROBERT JONES: HELLO. MY NAME IS ROBERT JONES. I'M A THIRD-
- 11 GENERATION RESIDENT OF WILMINGTON. I CURRENTLY WORK FOR A
- 12 PROGRAM, SOUTH BAY CENTER FOR COUNSELING, UNDER THE PROGRAM
- 13 URBAN ARTS. URBAN ARTS IS A CAREER PATHWAY THAT PROMOTES ART
- 14 SKILLS, COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT AND PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT. I'M IN
- 15 FAVOR OF PLAN A-3 AND MAINTAINING OUR SAME DISTRICT. I BELIEVE
- 16 IT IS DISRESPECTFUL TO ASSUME THAT ONLY A LATINO CAN REPRESENT
- 17 LATINOS. DON KNABE'S DISTRICT IS 43 PERCENT LATINO AND HAS
- 18 BEEN HIGHLY RESPONSIVE TO THE NEEDS OF LATINOS. WITHOUT THE
- 19 SUPPORT OF DON KNABE, PROGRAMS LIKE URBAN ARTS WOULD NEVER
- 20 MAKE IT OFF THE GROUND. THROUGH THIS TIME OF ECONOMIC TURMOIL,
- 21 PROGRAMS THAT PROMOTE SKILLS AS WELL AS JOB PLACEMENT ARE
- 22 VITAL, ESPECIALLY ONES THAT TEACH ART AND EXPRESSION AS WE DO.
- 23 THEREFORE WE ARE HAPPY WITH THE STATUS OUO. WE HAVE A HEALTHY
- 24 AND GROWING RELATIONSHIP WITH DON KNABE UNDER DISTRICT 4. AND
- 25 TO REEMPHASIZE WHAT I'VE BEEN HEARING THAT CHARACTER, SKILLS,



- 1 COMMITMENT TO RELATIONSHIPS MATTER MORE THAN SKIN COLOR.
- 2 CHARACTER NOT COLOR. RELATIONSHIPS NOT RACE.

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4 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. MR. PARK? MR. PARK?

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- 6 STEVE PARK: GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS STEVE PARK, AND I LIVE
- 7 IN THE CITY OF TORRANCE. WHILE I DO NOT LIVE UNDER SUPERVISOR
- 8 KNABE'S DISTRICT, I'M HERE TO SPEAK IN FAVOR OF A-3. I DO NOT
- 9 BELIEVE RACE IS THE SINGLE MOST IMPORTANT CRITERIA FOR
- 10 SELECTING A PUBLIC OFFICIAL. I BELIEVE THAT CHARACTER, SKILLS,
- 11 COMMITMENT AND RELATIONSHIPS MATTER MORE THAN RACE. I THINK
- 12 DIVERSITY IS IMPORTANT AND ENRICHES THE LIVES OF ALL PEOPLE IN
- 13 THE COMMUNITY. I THINK DIVERSITY PROMOTES TOLERANCE AND MUTUAL
- 14 RESPECT BETWEEN CULTURES AND RACES. I BELIEVE THAT ALL RACES
- 15 SHOULD HAVE A VOICE IN GOVERNMENT AND THAT NO RACE'S VOICE IS
- 16 MORE IMPORTANT THAN ANOTHER.

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- 18 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP DE DE
- 19 HICKS AND DESTINEE VILLANUEVA. YES, MA'AM.

- 21 BETTY MORSE: MY NAME IS BETTY MORSE. AND I COME TO SPEAK ON
- 22 BEHALF OF THE 400 DEVELOPMENTALLY DISABLED ADULTS AND CHILDREN
- 23 THAT I SERVICE OR HELP SERVICE AT A.R.C. AND EVEN THOUGH WE'RE
- 24 LOCATED IN DOWNEY, WE SERVICE MANY COMMUNITIES AROUND DOWNEY.
- 25 AND THROUGHOUT THIS TIME, DON KNABE HAS BEEN MORE THAN A



- 1 SUPERVISOR TO US; HE HAS BEEN A FRIEND TO A.R.C. THE BIG NEWS
- 2 IS THAT WE HAVE BEEN RECOGNIZED NOW AS AN ORGANIZATION THAT IS
- 3 BEING NAMED THE LOS ANGELES AND ORANGE COUNTY HOME OF A.R.C.
- 4 THIS MEANS ALL PERSONS WITH DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES WILL BE
- 5 SERVICED BY OUR ORGANIZATION. THIS IS THE ONE SITUATION THAT
- 6 IS NOT BOXED IN BY RACE, CREED OR COLOR. THIS IS AN INDIVIDUAL
- 7 WHO HAS A DISABILITY FROM BIRTH. THANK YOU FOR THIS
- 8 RECOGNITION FOR OUR SUPERVISOR, DON KNABE.

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- 10 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP TED
- 11 EBENKAMP.

- 13 TERRI NISHIMURA: MY NAME IS TERRI NISHIMURA. I'M THE EXECUTIVE
- 14 DIRECTOR OF PEDIATRIC THERAPY NETWORK. I'M ALSO THE FOURTH
- 15 DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVE ON THE POLICY ROUNDTABLE FOR
- 16 CHILDCARE. I PERSONALLY AND PROFESSIONALLY ADORE SUPERVISOR
- 17 KNABE BUT I THINK IF I TOOK A STEP BACK AND I LOOK AT THE
- 18 WHOLE COUNTY, THE COUNTY IS A SAFETY NET FOR THOSE MOST AT
- 19 NEED. AND IT'S NOT ONE GIANT NET. IT'S MANY NETS. AND YOU'VE
- 20 HEARD ABOUT THE COMPLEXITY OF THESE NETS. WHAT I'M WORRIED
- 21 ABOUT AND WHAT MY COLLEAGUES AND SOCIAL HEALTHCARE SERVICES
- 22 HAVEN'T MENTIONED, IN THE PAST THREE YEARS WE HAVE SUFFERED
- 23 SIGNIFICANT CUTS. THOSE SAFETY NETS ARE FRAGILE. THEY'RE
- 24 FALLING APART. I SUPPORT A-3 BECAUSE I THINK IT IS THE BEST



- 1 WAY TO ENSURE CONTINUITY OF CARE FOR THOSE THAT NEED IT THE
- 2 MOST IN OUR COUNTY.

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4 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. WHAT'S YOUR FIRST NAME?

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6 DESTINEE VILLANUEVA: DESTINE, SORRY, I'M A LITTLE BIT NERVOUS.

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- 8 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: LET ME ALSO CALL UP TED EBENKAMP.
- 9 MARIA ARGUELLES. RACHEL CHAVEZ.

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- 11 **DESTINE VILLANUEVA:** MY NAME IS DESTINE VILLANUEVA AND I'M FROM
- 12 THE CITY OF TORRANCE. I SUPPORT A-3 AND I THINK SUPERVISOR
- 13 KNABE IS DOING A GREAT JOB. THANKS TO HIM I'M PART OF THE
- 14 URBAN TEACHER FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM. THIS PROGRAM IS VERY DIVERSE
- 15 AND RACE HAS NO FACTOR WITHIN IT. IT DOES NOT MATTER OUR COLOR
- 16 BUT MORE ON THE INDIVIDUAL'S COMMITMENT AND SKILLS. THIS
- 17 PROGRAM IS HELPING ME GROW AND IS CREATING A BRIGHTER FUTURE
- 18 FOR ME. THANKS TO KNABE AND THE SUPPORT OF NONPROFITS LIKE
- 19 SOUTH BAY CENTER FOR COUNSELING, I'M PROMISED A SUCCESSFUL
- 20 FUTURE, AND SUPPORT A-3.

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- 22 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. ALSO JENNIFER OLAGUE. YES,
- 23 MA'AM.



- 1 RACHEL CHAVEZ: GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS RACHEL CHAVEZ AND
- 2 I'M A RESIDENT OF THE FOURTH DISTRICT. I'M IN SUPPORT OF A-3.
- 3 I'M A RECOVERING ADDICT WITH ALMOST FIVE YEARS IN RECOVERY. I
- 4 WAS ABLE TO REBUILD MY LIFE WITH THE HELP OF A TREATMENT
- 5 PROGRAM LARGELY SUPPORTED BY THE FOURTH DISTRICT, AND
- 6 ESPECIALLY OUR SUPERVISOR DON KNABE. OUR DISTRICT HAS MANY
- 7 SERVICES THAT COULD BE IN JEOPARDY IF T-1 AND S-2 WOULD BE
- 8 ENACTED. I ENCOURAGE YOU TO VOTE FOR A-3. THANK YOU.

10 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU.

12 MARIA ARGUELLES: HI, MY NAME IS MARIA ARGUELLES AND I'M HERE

- 13 TO SUPPORT A-3. I'M ALSO A CURRENT RESIDENT AT LA CASITA IN
- 14 DOWNEY, THAT'S A TREATMENT CENTER FOR SUBSTANCE ABUSE, SPECIAL
- 15 TREATMENT. AND YOU KNOW, WITH THE SUPPORT OF MR. DON KNABE,
- 16 I'VE BEEN ABLE TO GET REUNIFIED WITH MY DAUGHTER, MY FOUR-YEAR
- 17 OLD DAUGHTER. AND THIS IS ALL DUE TO THE SUPPORT HE HAS GAVE
- 18 US. THANK YOU.

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- 20 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. AND WE ASKED FOR TED
- 21 EBENKAMP. YES, MA'AM. YOU'RE ON.
- 23 **JENNIFER OLAGUE:** HI, MY THAT. IS JENNIFER OLAGUE AND I'M
- 24 ALUMNI FROM LA CASITA TREATMENT CENTER, CITY OF DOWNEY. I WANT
- 25 TO THANK DON KNABE FOR HIS CONTRIBUTIONS AND SUPPORT TO THE



- 1 PROGRAM. I SUPPORT A-3. WITH HIS SUPPORT TO LA CASITA. I HAVE
- 2 BEEN VERY SUCCESSFUL. I AM PART OF PARENT AND PARTNERSHIP
- 3 PROGRAM THROUGH THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES
- 4 AND I WANT TO THANK DON KNABE FOR THESE DRUG AND ALCOHOL
- 5 PROGRAMS THAT GIVE FAITH AND HOPE BACK TO THE SINGLE MOTHERS
- 6 FIGHTING DRUG ADDICTION AND ALCOHOLISM. THANK YOU.

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- 8 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: JOAN MOAB, AND WE'LL NEED A MICROPHONE
- 9 FOR THAT GENTLEMAN. YES SIR.

- 11 KEN EBENKAMP: MY NAME IS KEN EBENKAMP. I STRONGLY OPPOSE THE
- 12 EFFORT TO REASSIGN 3.5 MILLION RESIDENTS INTO NEW DISTRICTS
- 13 AND ASK YOU THAT YOU APPROVE PLAN A-3 TODAY. MANY OF THE
- 14 PREVIOUS SPEAKERS HAVE ASKED YOU TO FORM TWO LATINO DISTRICTS.
- 15 UNDER A-3, HISPANICS WOULD MAKE UP A CLEAR MAJORITY OF
- 16 SUPERVISOR DISTRICT 4. THEY WOULD HAVE 43 PERCENT OF THE
- 17 RESIDENTS COMPARED TO 30 PERCENT FOR THE NEXT LARGEST GROUP.
- 18 HISPANICS WOULD ALSO HAVE A SUPER MAJORITY IN DISTRICTS 1 AND
- 19 2. I'M DEFINING A SUPER MAJORITY AS MORE THAN 50 PERCENT OF
- 20 RESIDENTS AND MORE THAN ALL OTHER ETHNIC GROUPS COMBINED. THUS
- 21 UNDER PLAN A-3, HISPANICS WOULD HAVE A MORE THAN FAIR CHANCE
- 22 OF ELECTING THREE SUPERVISORS NOT JUST TWO. THERE IS NO NEED
- 23 TO REASSIGN 3.5 MILLION PEOPLE. PLANS T-1 AND S-2 REPRESENT A
- 24 BLATANT EXAMPLE OF GERRYMANDERING DESIGNED TO PREDETERMINE
- 25 ELECTION OUTCOMES. THANK YOU.



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2 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. YES, SIR.

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- 4 JOHN MOWAT: MY NAME IS JOHN MOWAT. I RESIDE IN HACIENDA
- 5 HEIGHTS AND I'M HERE IN SUPPORT OF PLAN A-3 AMENDED.
- 6 SUPERVISOR KNABE SERVES A DISTRICT THAT IS ETHNICALLY DIVERSE
- 7 AND DOES AN OUTSTANDING JOB IN MEETING THE NEEDS OF ALL.
- 8 PLEASE DO NOT DISENFRANCHISE THE VOTERS WHO ELECTED SUPERVISOR
- 9 KNABE BY PLACING US IN A NEWLY CREATED SUPER LATINO DISTRICT
- 10 CREATED BY GLORIA MOLINA TO SERVE HER AGENDA. YOU HAVE HEARD
- 11 ABOUT THE GOOD WORKS OF SUPERVISOR KNABE IS RESPONSIBLE FOR.
- 12 AT THE SAME TIME, THE ONLY THING TO BE SAID FOR GLORIA MOLINA
- 13 IS SHE WILL REPRESENT THE LATINO COMMUNITY. SUPERVISOR KNABE
- 14 WILL CONTINUE TO REPRESENT ALL THE PEOPLE, NOT JUST ONE GROUP.
- 15 T-1 CONCENTRATES ON CREATING A LATINO MAJORITY AND IGNORES THE
- 16 REST OF THE POPULATION. I DON'T THINK THAT MEETS THE SPIRIT OF
- 17 THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT.

- 19 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU, SIR. OKAY. LET ME CALL UP
- 20 NOW DR. SANDRA THOMAS. DR. SANDRA THOMAS AND IS SHE SPEAKING
- 21 FOR THE FIFTH DISTRICT? SOME OF OUR MEMBERS SPOKE UNDER THE
- 22 PUBLIC OFFICIALS. SO SHE SHOULDN'T SPEAK LONGER THAN ONE
- 23 MINUTE BUT LESS THAN THE TIME. DR. THOMAS? AND THEN WE WILL GO
- 24 TO THE PUBLIC WHO HAVE SIGNED UP. GOOD MORNING. GOOD
- 25 AFTERNOON. DR. THOMAS.



- 2 DR. SANDRA THOMAS: MAYOR ANTONOVICH AND TO THE LOS ANGELES
- 3 COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, MY NAME IS SANDRA THOMAS. AND I
- 4 AM CURRENTLY THE CHAIR OF THE ALTADENA TOWN COUNCIL. AND I'M
- 5 HERE THE SUPPORT PLAN A-3. I'M THE PAST PRESIDENT OF THE LOS
- 6 ANGELES COUNTY HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION AND A PAST AND
- 7 CURRENT OFFICER IN THE N.A.A.C.P., WHERE I'VE SERVED AT ALL
- 8 LEVELS, ALTADENA BRANCH PRESIDENT, STATE DIRECTOR REGIONAL
- 9 OFFICER AND THE NATIONAL TRAINER. BUT I'VE WORKED DILIGENTLY
- 10 IN MY COMMUNITY FOR MORE THAN 35 YEARS. AND I SAID ALL OF THAT
- 11 TO LET YOU KNOW THAT I'M NOT HERE BEFORE YOU TODAY AN AS LONE
- 12 RANGER. BUT I'M HERE CARRYING THE VOICE OF MANY WHO FEEL THAT
- 13 THEY WILL BE DRASTICALLY AFFECTED BY THE VOTES THAT EACH OF
- 14 YOU CAST TODAY FOR REDISTRICTING. I'M AWARE THAT EVERY YEAR
- 15 THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IS REQUIRED TO REDRAW THE DISTRICT
- 16 LINES TO SUPPOSEDLY MAKE SURE THAT EACH DISTRICT HAS EQUAL
- 17 POPULATION. BUT I'M ALSO AWARE THAT EACH DISTRICT BOUNDARY
- 18 SHOULD RESPECT THE GEOGRAPHY, ALSO RESPECT THE EXISTING
- 19 COMMUNITIES OF INTEREST AND SHOULD NOT DISADVANTAGE ANY
- 20 PARTICULAR RACIAL GROUP. ANOTHER CONSIDERATION TO ME SHOULD BE
- 21 THE MAJOR CHANGE THAT IT CAUSES IN VOTER ADVANCEMENT OR VOTER
- 22 DEFERRAL. PLAN T-1 AND S-2 EACH REALIGN MORE THAN 3-1/2
- 23 MILLION PEOPLE TO DIFFERENT SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS WHERE OVER
- 24 A MILLION WOULD CHAOTICALLY NOT BE ABLE TO EVEN VOTE FOR A
- 25 SUPERVISOR FOR SIX YEARS. AND THEN OTHERS WOULD END UP VOTING

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- 1 TWO YEARS EARLIER THAN THEY ARE SCHEDULED TO VOTE. THERE SEEMS
- 2 TO BE SOMETHING WRONG WITH THAT PICTURE. BUT IN ORDER TO EVEN
- 3 ATTEMPT TO JUSTIFY SUCH A DRASTIC DISRUPTION IN THE ELECTORAL
- 4 PROCESS, THERE SEEMS THAT THERE SHOULD BE CLEAR AND COMPELLING
- 5 EVIDENCE OF WIDESPREAD DISCRIMINATION IN THE VOTING PATTERNS,
- 6 BUT THERE IS NONE. FIFTH DISTRICT HAS NOTHING TO REFLECT THIS.
- 7 IN MY COMMUNITY OF ALTADENA, WE'RE SIMILAR TO OTHER
- 8 COMMUNITIES THAT HAVE WORKED EXTREMELY HARD TO DEVELOP
- 9 COHESIVE WORKING RELATIONSHIPS WITH OUR LOCAL INSTITUTIONS,
- 10 OUR COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS AND OUR OTHER ENTITIES. BUT
- 11 WORKING TOGETHER, WE'VE BEEN SUCCESSFUL IN ACHIEVING THE
- 12 NEEDED IMPROVEMENTS FOR ALL RESIDENTS IN OUR PARTICULAR AREAS
- 13 AND ALSO IN OUR NEIGHBORING COMMUNITIES OF INTEREST. IT WOULD
- 14 BE A SHAME TO DISRUPT THESE COMMUNITIES OF INTEREST THAT HAVE
- 15 WORKED SO COLLABORATIVELY OVER THE MANY YEARS. AND IT WOULD BE
- 16 A DISGRACE TO DISRUPT THEM FOR THE SOLE PURPOSE OF ACHIEVING
- 17 POLITICAL GAINS THAT WE ALL KNOW WOULD ONLY DISENFRANCHISE
- 18 WITH LITTLE BENEFIT TO OUR COMMUNITY. AND SO WE FEEL TO DO
- 19 THAT WITH THE UNCONSCIONABLE. SO THEREFORE I'M HERE SUPPORTING
- 20 PLAN A-3 AND I'M ASKING FOR YOUR SUPPORT AND YOUR VOTE ON PLAN
- 21 A-3. THANK YOU FOR THIS TIME. HAVE A GOOD AFTERNOON.

23 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU, DOCTOR THOMAS. APPRECIATE

- 24 IT. OKAY. WE WILL NOW GO TO THE PUBLIC COMMENT. WE HAVE 800
- 25 PEOPLE PLUS WHO HAVE SIGNED UP. LAST TIME IT TOOK ABOUT SIX



- 1 HOURS, FIVE HOURS. SO WE'RE GOING TO KEEP YOU TO ONE MINUTE.
- 2 WHEN THE LIGHT COMES ON, REGARDLESS WHERE YOU ARE IN YOUR
- 3 STATEMENT, WE'RE GOING TO HAVE TO BE, BECAUSE OF THE NUMBER,
- 4 PULL THE PLUG. SO AT THIS TIME I'M GOING TO CALL UP DIANA
- 5 TARANGO. RITA GOVEA. ARMANDO DURAN. AND ALEXANDER PERALTA.
- 6 OKAY, BROTHER. JUST GIVE YOUR NAME BEFORE YOU SPEAK AND YOU'RE
- 7 ON.

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- 9 RITA RODRIGUEZ: MY NAME IS RITA GOVEA RODRIGUEZ. I AM FOR T-1.
- 10 I AM A BUSINESS OWNER IN THE COUNTY. I AM ALSO ON THE REVIEW
- 11 ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR THE GOLD LINE TO THE EAST SIDE. I AM
- 12 HERE TO TALK ABOUT THE TRANSPORTATION NEEDS OF THE LATINO AREA
- 13 IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. I HAVE WORKED ON TRANSPORTATION
- 14 ISSUES FOR MANY YEARS. I CAN ATTEST THAT IN LOS ANGELES
- 15 COUNTY, MOST DENSITY POPULATION NEIGHBORHOODS WERE TRANSPORT
- 16 OPINIONS NEED THE MOST. WE HAVE ALWAYS HAD THE LEAST. IT WAS
- 17 NOT LONG AGO THAT THERE WERE NO LOCAL SHUTTLES IN EAST LOS
- 18 ANGELES. IT WAS NOT LONG AGO THAT THERE WERE ONLY VERY FEW
- 19 LIMITED BUS SERVICES IN THE EAST. THE BUSES THAT WE DID HAVE
- 20 THAT RAN THROUGH THE COMMUNITY STOPS WERE NOT HELPFUL TO THE
- 21 LOCAL COMMUNITY.

- 23 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: YOUR TIME IS UP. THANK YOU. LET ME SAY
- 24 WHEN I CALL YOUR NAME, PLEASE COME UP. ONLY WHEN I CALL YOUR
- 25 NAME. DIANA TARANGO? HOLD ON. WE'LL START OVER AGAIN. RITA



1 JUST SPOKE. THANK YOU. AND THEN ARMANDO DURAN? ARMANDO? ARE

2 YOU HERE?

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4 SUP. MOLINA: YES, HE'S HERE.

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6 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: AND ALEXANDER PERALTA.

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- 8 DIANA TARANGO: MY NAME IS TARANGO AND I'M A THIRD GENERATION
- 9 OF A COUNTY RESIDENT. I AM IN GLORIA MOLINA'S DISTRICT AND I
- 10 WANT TO THANK HER PERSONALLY AND MARK THOMAS RIDLEY FOR HAVING
- 11 THE TENACITY FOR THE REDISTRICTING. I AM HERE BECAUSE I
- 12 BELIEVE VERY STRONGLY THAT WE NEED REPRESENTATION OF MINORITY
- 13 GROUPS OR THE GROUPS WHO ARE DISFRANCHISED BECAUSE WE ARE
- 14 DIVIDED INTO SECTIONS OF THE COUNTY WHICH MAKE US A MINORITY
- 15 VOTE. THIS NEEDS TO CHANGE SO THAT WE CAN HAVE PROPER
- 16 REPRESENTATION IN THE COUNTY. SO BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, THIS IS
- 17 YOUR CHANCE TO SHOW THAT YOU BELIEVE IN THE PROMISE OF
- 18 DEMOCRACY FOR EVERYBODY. LET'S MAKE HISTORY TODAY TOGETHER.
- 19 THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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- 21 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.] LET ME ALSO
- 22 CALL UP DAVID MALKIN AND GEORGE CHOU?

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24 ROSALIO MUNOZ: (SPANISH) MY NAME IS -- I'M HERE --



1 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: WAIT WAIT. WE NEED A TRANSLATOR. SO

2 HOLD ON AND WE'LL GET A TRANSLATOR FOR YOU. YES, SIR.

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- 4 ARMONDO DURAN: MY NAME IS ARMANDO, I'M A FORMER PRESIDENT OF
- 5 THE MEXICAN-AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY. I
- 6 WAS ALSO A MEMBER OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOUNDARY REVIEW
- 7 COMMITTEE IN 1991. AT THAT TIME ALONG WITH OTHERS, I
- 8 DETERMINED THAT THERE EXISTED A GROWTH DISTRICT FOR LATINOS
- 9 THAT BY 2001 COULD BE DRAWN INTO A SECOND DISTRICT THAT WOULD
- 10 ALLOW LATINOS TO CHOOSE A REPRESENTATIVE OF THEIR CHOICE.
- 11 SINCE THAT TIME, I HAVE BEEN PUSHING FOR A SECOND LATINO
- 12 DISTRICT. I LISTENED TO MANY OF THE COMMENTS OFFERED ON
- 13 SEPTEMBER 6 IN THIS CHAMBER. UNFORTUNATELY MOST OF THE
- 14 COMMENTS WERE IRRELEVANT TO THE BASIC PRINCIPLES UPON WHICH A
- 15 COURT WILL DETERMINE THE EFFICACY OF THE PLAN THAT THIS BOARD
- 16 ULTIMATELY ADOPTS. SATISFACTION WITH A PARTICULAR SUPERVISOR
- 17 BY PAROCHIAL INTEREST IS NOT A PRIMARY CRITERIA FOR
- 18 DETERMINING THE LEGALITY OF A DISTRICTING PLAN. THE ARGUMENTS
- 19 TO SUPPORT A PLAN A-3 ARE THE SAME ARGUMENTS THAT LED TO THE
- 20 GARZA CASE IN THE 1980S AND WHICH WILL LEAD THE COUNTY BACK
- 21 INTO LITIGATION SHOULD IT BE APPROVED. THE MAIN FEATURE OF
- 22 THIS PLAN IS TO PACK LATINOS INTO THE FIRST DISTRICT IN ORDER
- 23 TO PRESERVE THE STATUS QUO.



- 1 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. YES, SIR. ARE YOU THE
- 2 TRANSLATOR? [APPLAUSE.] WHERE IS THE TRANSLATOR? HE'S NOT HERE
- 3 YET. OKAY, WOULD YOU PLEASE GIVE YOUR TESTIMONY WHILE THE
- 4 TRANSLATOR'S COMING UP?

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6 SPEAKER: (SPANISH)

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- 8 INTERPRETER: I AM HERE TO DECLARE THAT THERE'S RACISM HERE AT
- 9 THE BOARD BECAUSE THEY'RE NOT READY TO HEAR THE LATINO VOICE.
- 10 WE HAVE TO WAIT IN ORDER TO SPEAK SPANISH. IN THE SPIRIT THAT
- 11 THERE'S ONLY THREE WHITE MEN AND THE REST ARE MINORITIES. ON
- 12 THAT SIDE. THERE IS THREE DISTRICTS THEY HAVE A MAJORITY,
- 13 ESPECIALLY ON THE LATINOS. AND WE REALLY ONLY HAVE ONE
- 14 DISTRICT IN REALITY WE ARE 48 PERCENT OF THE POPULATION.

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16 **SPEAKER:** (SPANISH.) [APPLAUSE]

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- 18 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: IF WE'RE GOING TO HAVE INTERRUPTION,
- 19 WE'RE GOING TO ASK YOU TO LEAVE. IF YOU'RE GOING TO INTERRUPT,
- 20 YOU'RE GOING TO BE ASKED TO LEAVE. YOU'RE ONLY TAKING TIME
- 21 FROM YOUR SPEAKERS THAT ARE HERE.

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23 **SPEAKER:** (SPANISH.)



1 INTERPRETER: THE DEMOCRACY CHANGES. AND IF YOU WANT TO CAUSE A

2 DISTRACTION AND I JUST WANT TO SAY THIS PLAN, THE SUPREMACY --

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- 4 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. GRACIAS. YES, SIR. NEXT
- 5 TIME YOU SPEAK PERFECT ENGLISH BUT IT WOULD BE BETTER TO USE
- 6 INGLES. OKAY, YES SIR.

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- 8 DAVID MALKIN: MY NAME IS DAVID MALKIN. I'M FROM ROWLAND
- 9 HEIGHTS. THEY SAY A PICTURE IS WORTH 1,000 WORDS. I'M A LOUSY
- 10 ARTIST SO I DID A CHART INSTEAD. THIS CHART CLEARLY EXPLAINS
- 11 WHY A-3 IS THE BEST PLAN TO GO WITH FOR EVERYBODY THAT'S BEING
- 12 REPRESENTED TODAY. PLAN A-3 AS AMENDED CLEARLY REPRESENTS MORE
- 13 PEOPLE ON AN EOUAL BASIS. TODAY THE ISSUES WE HAVE BEFORE US
- 14 ARE BIGGER THAN JUST WHICH PLAN WILL BE APPROVED. OUR ELECTED
- 15 OFFICIALS AT ALL LEVELS OF GOVERNMENT, BOTH FEDERAL, STATE,
- 16 AND COUNTY HAVE BECOME SO POLARIZED THAT THEY HAVE LOST THE
- 17 MEANING OF STATESMEN. WE ARE NOW, AS VOTERS, EXPECT MORE FROM
- 18 OUR ELECTED OFFICIALS. WE EXPECT THEM TO WORK TOGETHER AND TO
- 19 TALK AND TO DISCUSS THE ISSUES AND TO COME UP WITH A PLAN THAT
- 20 WILL PARALLEL A-3 AS AMENDED. TO DO ANYTHING ELSE SHORT OF
- 21 THAT AND TO ALLOW IT TO GO TO A COMMITTEE OF THREE OR A
- 22 FEDERAL JUDGE IS NOT ACCEPTABLE. VOTERS SHOULD VOTE ON THE
- 23 MOST COMPETENT PERSON, NOT ON ANYTHING ELSE. THANK YOU.



- 1 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU, SIR. LET ME ALSO CALL
- 2 VISHAL CHANHAN. GILBERT SALINAS AND CARLOS BENAVIDES. YES,
- 3 SIR. YOU'RE ON. IT'S ON. YOUR MICROPHONE'S ON NOW.

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- 5 GEORGE CHOU: MY NAME IS GEORGE K. CHOU. AND I'M A PROFESSIONAL
- 6 WHO IS ALSO A COMMUNITY LEADER AROUND THE AREA JURISDICTION OF
- 7 THE EAST PORTION OF LOS ANGELES AND SOME OTHER PARTS INCLUDING
- 8 THE CITY -- HACIENDA HEIGHTS, WALNUT AND ALSO THE OTHER CITIES
- 9 AROUND THE ROWLAND HEIGHTS AREA. I STRONGLY SUPPORT A-3
- 10 BECAUSE IT COSTS LESS AND BETTER MAINTAINS OUR PRIVILEGE AND
- 11 OUR RIGHTS AND STRONGLY OPPOSE THE T-1 AND S-2 BECAUSE IT
- 12 OVEREMPHASIZES TO THE INTEREST OF LATINO COMMUNITY BECAUSE AS
- 13 A THE LATINO COMMUNITY WE DON'T WANT TO BE CONVERTED,
- 14 CALIFORNIA BE CONVERTED INTO A HALF MEXICO. AND WE DON'T THINK
- 15 IT'S REASONABLE FROM WHAT PEOPLE'S EFFORT FOR THE PAST DECADES
- 16 HAVE BEEN ESTABLISHED ACCOMPLISHMENT OF UNITED STATES IN
- 17 STANDARD LIKE RIGHT NOW. SO WE NEED TO MAINTAIN AND KEEP THIS
- 18 SYSTEM AND IT'S ALREADY SHOWING IT'S BEEN FAIR TO EVERYBODY.

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20 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU, SIR. YES, SIR.

- 22 SPEAKER: DOES NOT MATTER IF LATINO, CHINESE, AFRICAN-AMERICAN,
- 23 INDIANS. WE ARE ALL HERE TO FOLLOW AMERICAN DREAMS. SUPERVISOR
- 24 DON DID NOT ONLY SAY WE MAKE IT POSSIBLE WE RANCHO ATHLETES.
- 25 WHEN WE PLAY ON ONE TEAM. SO IT'S LIKE DIFFERENT -- SOMEONE IS



- 1 FROM THE OTHER CITIES. SO WHEN WE ARE TOGETHER, WE ARE JUST
- 2 LIKE ONE TEAM. AND ONCE WE ARE UNIQUE, IT MAKES IT POSSIBLE
- 3 THAT WHAT ABOUT -- ENOUGH FOR ME TO EXPLAIN WHY A-3 BUT I'M
- 4 SURE IF YOU VISIT A MINUTE TO RANCHO LOS AMIGOS IT WILL BE
- 5 EXPLAINED WHY IT IS GOOD. THANK YOU.

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- 7 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU, SIR. LET ME CALL UP GILBERT
- 8 SALINAS. GILBERT SALINAS. YES, SIR.

- 10 GILBERT SALINAS: HELLO. MY NAME IS GILBERT SALINAS. I'M HERE
- 11 IN SUPPORT OF A-3 TODAY. SUPERVISOR DON KNABE. I WANT TO BRING
- 12 UP IN MY HUMBLE OPINION THAT THIS IS NOT AN ISSUE BASED ON
- 13 RACE. THIS IS NOT AN ISSUE BASED ON WHAT SUPERVISOR COULD RUN
- 14 THE DISTRICT BETTER THAN ANOTHER SUPERVISOR. FOR ME THIS IS
- 15 ABOUT COMMITMENT. AS ABRAHAM LINCOLN STATED, COMMITMENT IS
- 16 WHAT TRANSFORMS A PROMISE INTO REALITY. IT'S THE WORDS THAT
- 17 SPEAK BOLDLY OF YOUR INTENTIONS AND ACTIONS THAT SPEAK LOUDER
- 18 THAN YOUR WORDS. IT'S MAKING THE TIME WHEN THERE IS NONE. IT'S
- 19 COMING THROUGH TIME AFTER TIME, YEAR AFTER YEAR. COMMITMENT IS
- 20 THE STUFF THAT CHARACTER'S MADE UP. THE POWER TO CHANGE THE
- 21 FACE OF THINGS, THE DAILY TRIUMPH OF OF INTEGRITY OVER
- 22 SKEPTICISM. FOR THE PAST 15 YEARS DON KNABE HAS SHOWN THAT
- 23 COMMITMENT TO THOUSANDS OF PATIENTS OF RANCHO LOS AMIGOS
- 24 NATIONAL REHABILITATION CENTER. HE HAS ALSO SERVED HIS



- 1 CONSTITUENTS WELL. TODAY WE'RE HERE TO SUPPORT DON AND WE
- 2 THANK HIM FOR YOUR CURRENT SERVICE. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

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- 4 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU, SIR. IS GILBERT SOLIZ?
- 5 GILBERT?

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7 GILBERT SALINAS: THAT WAS ME.

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- 9 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: OKAY. THAT WAS GILBERT. OKAY.
- 10 ALEXANDER PERALTA? CARLOS BENAVIDES? ALISI TULUA? GILBERT
- 11 SALINAS, YOU SIGNED UP TWICE. CARLOS SIGNED UP TWICE, TOO.
- 12 CARLOS, YOU SIGNED UP TWICE. OKAY. SYLVIA LEYBA? GEORGE CHOU,
- 13 HE'S ALREADY SPOKEN. DAVID MALKIN, ALREADY SPOKEN. DALERIE WU,
- 14 DALERIE WU? CHAD SAMMETH? CHAD SAMMETH? CATHERINE GAUGHEN?
- 15 CATHERINE? JOHN KELSALL? JOHN KELSALL? WE HAVE FOUR UP UP
- 16 THERE? FIVE? THE FOUR WILL SIT THEN YOU CAN SIT ON THE SIDE
- 17 AND THEN COME UP. JUST GIVE YOUR NAME FOR THE RECORD AND SAY
- 18 YOUR SPEECH.

- 20 SYLVIA LEYBA: SYLVIA LEYBA. THANK YOU FOR HAVING ME. MY NAME
- 21 IS SYLVIA LEYBA. I LIVE IN THE CITY OF WHITTIER AND WORK IN
- 22 THE CITY OF DOWNEY. THE THING ABOUT WORK, IT'S NOT REALLY WORK
- 23 BECAUSE I'M ABOUT HELPING PEOPLE. I HELP PEOPLE EVERY DAY. YOU
- 24 HAVE SEEN SOME OF OUR RESIDENTS FROM LA CASITA. I WORK FOR AN
- 25 ORGANIZATION CALLED SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ALCOHOL AND DRUG



- 1 PROGRAMS. I PERSONALLY RIGHT NOW WEAR SEVERAL HATS. ONE OF THE
- 2 HATS IS I'M A HOME-BASED COUNSELOR. I COUNSEL TEENS, TEEN BOYS
- 3 THAT ARE ON PROBATION. I COUNSEL THEM AND THEIR FAMILIES AT
- 4 THEIR HOMES. I TRY TO CHANGE THEIR LIVES. I ENCOURAGE THEM TO
- 5 GO TO SCHOOL. I ENCOURAGE THEM TO DO BETTER, TO QUIT TAGGING,
- 6 TO QUIT DOING DRUGS. I DO THIS BECAUSE OF PEOPLE THAT I'VE MET
- 7 ALONG THE WAY, PEOPLE THAT HAVE SUPPORTED WHAT I FEEL THAT IS
- 8 IMPORTANT. ONE OF THOSE PEOPLE IS DON KNABE. I STRONGLY URGE
- 9 YOU TO SUPPORT A-3.

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11 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU.

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- 13 SYLVIA LEYBA: ONE MORE THING. WE IN THE NONPROFIT COMMUNITY,
- 14 WE RELY HEAVILY ON EACH OTHER AS PARTNERS. WE WORK TOGETHER
- 15 COLLABORATIVELY TO HELP CHANGE LIVES. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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17 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. MISS WU?

- 19 DALERIE WU: MY NAME IS DALERIE WU, I'M A RESIDENT OF ROWLAND
- 20 HEIGHTS, AND I'M HERE TO EXPRESS MY SUPPORT FOR PLAN A-3 AS
- 21 AMENDED AND OPPOSITION TO PLANS T-1 AND S-2. I VALUE DIVERSITY
- 22 AND THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT. THE SPIRIT OF THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT
- 23 CREATES OPPORTUNITIES FOR MINORITIES TO VOTE. THERE ARE MANY
- 24 DIFFERENT MINORITIES IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY, OF WHICH I AM A
- 25 PART. T-1 AND S-2 WERE CREATED TO GUARANTEE AN ELECTORAL



- 1 OUTCOME WHICH GOES AGAINST WHAT THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT STANDS
- 2 FOR. MOREOVER, PLAN A-3 AS AMENDED WILL ALLOW THE MOST NUMBER
- 3 OF PEOPLE TO CONTINUE TO BE REPRESENTED BY OFFICIALS THAT THEY
- 4 VOTED FOR, WHICH IS A KEY CORNERSTONE OF AMERICAN DEMOCRACY.
- 5 THANK YOU.

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7 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. YES, MA'AM.

- 9 ALISI TULUA: GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS ALISI
- 10 TULUA AND I'M HERE WITH THE TONGAN COMMUNITY SERVICE CENTER
- 11 AND ALSO A MEMBER OF APCON. I'M HERE ON BEHALF OF THE NATIVE,
- 12 HAWAIIAN AND PACIFIC ISLANDER COMMUNITIES OF L.A. COUNTY AND
- 13 IN SUPPORT OF A-3. RELATIVE TO LARGER ETHNIC COMMUNITIES,
- 14 WE'RE A VERY SMALL COMMUNITY. HOWEVER, WE HOLD ONE OF THE
- 15 MAJOR COMMUNITIES OF NATIVE HAWAIIAN AND PACIFIC ISLANDERS IN
- 16 THE CONTINENT. WE HAVE A LOT OF OUR COMMUNITY ELDERS HAVE
- 17 BUILT RELATIONSHIPS WITHIN OUR COUNTY IN EFFORTS OF DEVELOPING
- 18 OUR SMALL COMMUNITIES. AND I WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR KNABE
- 19 AND SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS FOR SUPPORTING OUR
- 20 COMMUNITIES. HOWEVER, WE WOULD LIKE TO MAINTAIN THE
- 21 RELATIONSHIPS AND RESOURCES THAT HAVE BEEN BUILT OVER THOSE
- 22 YEARS IN SUPPORT, WITH THE SUPPORT OF A-3 AND SO WE WOULD LIKE
- 23 TO MAINTAIN THE VOICES OF OUR COMMUNITY AND ASK THAT YOU DON'T
- 24 DILUTE THE VOICES AND THE RELATIONSHIPS THAT WE HAVE DEVELOPED
- 25 THUS FAR. PLEASE SUPPORT A-3.



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- 2 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP JOHN
- 3 KELSALL AND LARRY LUE? LARRY? YES, MA'AM.

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- 5 CATHERINE GAUGHEN: I AM CATHERINE GAUGHEN, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
- 6 FOR THE CERRITOS REGIONAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE. I RESPECTFULLY
- 7 REOUEST THAT YOU APPROVE PLAN A-3. L.A. COUNTY IS ALREADY SO
- 8 DIVERSE WITH OUR UNIQUE NEIGHBORHOODS, ETHNICITIES AND
- 9 CULTURES. BUT WE ALL WORK SO CLOSELY AS ONE UNIFIED DISTRICT.
- 10 THE FOURTH DISTRICT IS A COMMUNITY. PLEASE DO NOT CHANGE THIS.
- 11 AS A COUNTRY, WE HAVE WORKED SO HARD TO OVERCOME RACIAL
- 12 ADVERSITY AND WE HAVE BEEN SUCCESSFUL. MY GENERATION AND THE
- 13 ONES AFTER ME NO LONGER IDENTIFY OR DEFINE OURSELVES SOLELY BY
- 14 RACE OR ETHNICITY. WE HAVE TRULY BECOME MULTICULTURAL. AND YET
- 15 HERE SOME OF YOU ARE TAKING TEN STEPS BACK AND ASKING THAT
- 16 DISTRICTS BE DEFINED SOLELY BUY A PERSON'S RACE. MARTIN LUTHER
- 17 KING, JR. HAD A DREAM THAT WE WOULD NOT BE JUDGED BY THE COLOR
- 18 OF OUR SKIN BUT BY THE CONTENT OF OUR CHARACTER. DON'T DEFINE
- 19 OUR DISTRICTS BY RACE OR THE COLOR OF A VOTER'S SKIN BUT
- 20 RATHER DEFINE OUR DISTRICTS BY THE CHARACTER OF THE EXISTING
- 21 NEIGHBORHOODS AND COMMUNITIES. PLEASE APPROVE PLAN A-3.
- 22 PRESERVE OUR NEIGHBORHOODS AND PRESERVE OUR DISTRICTS.



- 1 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP SUSAN
- 2 RUBIO, LARRY LUE OF THE CHINATOWN SERVICE CENTER. AND LAURA
- 3 SANTOS? AND VIVIAN HANSON? VIVIAN HANSON? YES, SIR.

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- 5 JOHN KELSALL: HONORABLE SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS JOHN KELSALL,
- 6 I'M THE PRESIDENT OF THE LAKEWOOD CHAMBER OF COMMERCE. THE
- 7 SUPERVISOR'S JOB IS TO SERVE ALL THE RESIDENTS OF THE
- 8 DISTRICT, LISTENING TO THEIR NEEDS, SOLVING THEIR PROBLEMS AND
- 9 WORKING FOR THE BETTERMENT OF ALL. A-3 IS EFFICIENT, MORE
- 10 MANAGEABLE, MORE CONTIGUOUS, THE LEAST DISRUPTIVE AND PROVIDES
- 11 GOOD REPRESENTATION FOR ALL. WE SHOULDN'T CARE IF OUR
- 12 SUPERVISORS ARE BLACK, WHITE, LATINO, ASIAN, ARMENIAN, MALE,
- 13 FEMALE, STRAIGHT OR GAY. WE SHOULD CARE THAT OUR SUPERVISORS
- 14 HAVE STRENGTH OF CHARACTER, HONESTY, INTEGRITY, COMPASSION,
- 15 COURAGE, WISDOM AND GOOD LEADERSHIP SKILLS. DON KNABE HAS
- 16 EXEMPLIFIED THAT FOR MORE THAN 20 YEARS AND REPRESENTS US ALL
- 17 WELL. IF WE ELECT A GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL THAT DOES NOT LIVE UP
- 18 TO THOSE STANDARDS THEN SHAME ON US FOR VOTING FOR THEM. WHEN
- 19 THE NAVY SEALS DIED IN AFGHANISTAN ON AUGUST 6, THERE WERE
- 20 MANY ETHNICITIES ON THAT AIRCRAFT, YET THEY WERE ONE BAND OF
- 21 BROTHERS FIGHTING TOGETHER FOR ONE CAUSE: AMERICA. ONE NATION
- 22 UNDER GOD INDIVISIBLE BECAUSE IF WE DIVIDE, WE WILL DEFEAT
- 23 OURSELVES. PLEASE VOTE FOR A-3. THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE.



- 1 SUSAN RUBIO: HELLO MY NAME IS SUSAN RUBIO. I THANK YOU FOR
- 2 ALLOWING ME TO SPEAK TODAY. PLEASE FORGIVE MY VOICE. I AM
- 3 SICK.

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- 5 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: HANG ON ONE SECOND. OKAY. HOLD HER TIME. CAN
- 6 WE HAVE QUIET IN THE ROOM? IF YOU NEED TO HAVE A CONVERSATION,
- 7 TAKE IT OUTSIDE THE ROOM. BUT IT'S BECOMING IMPOSSIBLE TO
- 8 HEAR. THANK YOU. GO AHEAD.

- 10 SUSAN RUBIO: ONCE AGAIN I WANT TO APOLOGIZE FOR MY VOICE. LIKE
- 11 I SAID I AM EXTREMELY SICK BUT I HOPE THAT ONLY SPEAKS TO THE
- 12 URGENCY OF ME BEING HERE TO REPRESENT ME AND MY COMMUNITY. MY
- 13 NAME IS SUSAN RUBIO. I AM A COUNCILWOMAN FOR THE CITY OF
- 14 BALDWIN PARK. AND TRADITIONALLY I BELIEVE THAT OUR CITY HAS
- 15 BEEN FORGOTTEN. THERE IS NO OUESTION THAT THERE HAS ALWAYS
- 16 BEEN MAJOR HEALTH DISPARITIES IN OUR COMMUNITY. HIGHER RATES
- 17 OF OBESITY, HEART DISEASE, HOMICIDE MORE THAN ANY OTHER
- 18 COUNTY. BUT I HAVE SEEN TREMENDOUS GAINS IN THOSE AREAS THANKS
- 19 TO THE LEADERSHIP OF OUR SUPERVISOR, GLORIA MOLINA. SO I WANT
- 20 TO THANK HER PERSONALLY FOR BEING SUCH AN ADVOCATE AND WORKING
- 21 COLLABORATIVELY WITH US TO CHANGE THOSE DISPARITIES. I'M HERE
- 22 IN SUPPORT OF T-1 AND S-2. WITH HER LEADERSHIP, I HAVE SEEN
- 23 THAT THE MESSAGE TO OUR COMMUNITIES HAVE BEEN MORE CULTURALLY
- 24 APPROPRIATE AND BILINGUAL, WHICH WE DO NEED. LATINOS TEND TO
- 25 HAVE OVERLAPPING INTERESTS AND SIMILAR EXPERIENCES. SO I'M



- 1 HERE TO URGE YOU TO ELECT MORE ADVOCATES TO THIS BOARD TO HELP
- 2 MEET THESE CHALLENGES IN OUR COMMUNITIES. THANK YOU FOR YOUR
- 3 TIME.

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- 5 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: LET ME ALSO CALL UP FREDDIE RODRIGUEZ.
- 6 WE DID LAURA JUST NOW. AND VIVIAN HANSON WE HAVE AND ROSA
- 7 FUENTES. ROSA FUENTES MARY ANN STROTE. WHY DON'T YOU GO?

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- 9 VIVIAN HANSON: GOOD AFTERNOON. I'M VIVIAN HANSON, A SCHOOL
- 10 BOARD MEMBER FROM PARAMOUNT UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT AND THE
- 11 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE NORWALK CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, TWO OF
- 12 THE CITIES THAT WOULD BE AFFECTED BY PLANS T-1 AND S-2. I'M
- 13 HERE TO ASK FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF PLAN A-3 TO MAINTAIN THE
- 14 CURRENT BOUNDARIES OF SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 4. CENSUS DATA
- 15 SHOULD NOT BE USED TO REINVENT THE WHEEL. IT CAUSES
- 16 ESTABLISHED RELATIONSHIPS TO BE SPLINTERED. IT SHOULD BE USED
- 17 TO REALIGN BOUNDARIES WITH MINIMAL DISRUPTION TO EXISTING
- 18 RELATIONSHIPS AND PROGRAMS ALREADY IN PLACE. T-1 AND S-2 ARE
- 19 HIGHLY DIVISIVE TO ALL OF THE COMMUNITIES. PLEASE DO NOT PLAY
- 20 POLITICS WITH YOUR CONSTITUENTS AND TAKE US BACKWARDS. RESPECT
- 21 OUR COHESIVENESS. THANK YOU.

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- 23 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP DIEGO
- 24 CARDOS. YES, SIR.



- 1 ALEXANDER PERALTA: MY NAME IS ALEXANDER PERALTA. I JUST WANT
- 2 TO SAY I PLAY BASKETBALL AT RANCHOS AMIGOS REHABILITATION
- 3 CENTER AT DOWNEY. AND I'M IN SUPPORT OF A-3. AND I JUST WANT
- 4 TO KEEP MY COMMUNITY CONNECT, HAVE THE RELATIONSHIP WE HAVE
- 5 AND I DON'T THINK T-1 AND S-2 WILL DO THAT JOB OF KEEPING OUR
- 6 COMMUNITY MORE CONNECTED. THANK YOU.
- 8 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU, SIR. YES, MA'AM.
- 10 MARY ELLEN STROTE: MARY ELLEN STROTE. I LIVE IN UNINCORPORATED
- 11 CALABASAS IN THE THIRD DISTRICT. I WAS GOING TO TALK ABOUT
- 12 SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS, BUT YOU'VE HEARD THAT. AND I'M JUST
- 13 GOING TO TELL YOU THAT WHEN MAYOR VILLARAIGOSA RAN FOR OFFICE
- 14 THE LAST TIME, I SPENT THREE DAYS AT A PHONE BANK MAKING CALLS
- 15 FOR HIM. NOT BECAUSE I COULD VOTE FOR HIM. I DON'T LIVE IN THE
- 16 CITY. BUT I DID IT BECAUSE I FELT IT WAS TIME FOR A CHANGE.
- 17 AND I URGE YOU, SUPERVISORS, TO LOOK TO THE FUTURE AND NOT TO
- 18 THE HORRORS OF THE PAST. THIS NEXT GENERATION IS MORE
- 19 INCLUSIVE. AND THEY WANT A CHANGE, TOO. BUT NOT THE CHANGE TO
- 20 THE PAST. THANK YOU.
- 22 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP POLLY
- 23 THOMAS. UN MOMENTO. UN MEMENTO. WAIT. POLLY THOMAS AND ANN
- 24 FRANZEN. OKAY.

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1 ROSA FUENTES: (SPANISH).

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- 3 INTERPRETER: GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS ROSA FUENTES. I'M FROM
- 4 THE GROUP N.A.T. GROUP FROM LONG BEACH. I'M HERE BECAUSE I
- 5 BELIEVE THERE'S A FALL OF RESPECT. TO -- BELIEVE THAT ONLY ONE
- 6 LATINO CAN REPRESENT A LOT OF LATINOS. DON KNABE'S DISTRICT IS
- 7 43 PERCENT LATINO AND HE HAS SHOWN -- SUPERVISOR KNABE HAS
- 8 SHOWN RESPECT AND THE CAPACITY TO PROVIDE ANSWERS TO THE
- 9 NECESSITIES OF THE LATINO COMMUNITY. I'M ASKING YOU FOR PLAN
- 10 A-3. THANK YOU.

- 12 DIEGO CARDOSO: MY NAME IS DIEGO CARDOSO, I'M TAKING A DAY OFF
- 13 FROM WORK SO THAT I CAN COME AND SPEAK TO YOU TODAY. I
- 14 REMEMBER MANY YEARS AGO WHEN YOU WERE DISCUSSING THIS ISSUE
- 15 WHEN YOU CREATED DISTRICT 1 THAT SUPERVISOR MOLINA WAS
- 16 ELECTED. I REMEMBER THE ISSUES WERE THE SAME. THE FEAR, THE
- 17 UNDERSTANDING, TRYING TO KEEP RELATIONSHIPS. I THINK WHAT WE
- 18 ARE HERE TODAY AND WE HEAR SOME GREAT PRESENTATIONS ABOUT THE
- 19 CIVIL RIGHTS AND THE PROGRESS THAT WAS MADE BECAUSE OF THAT.
- 20 IT WAS A STRUGGLE, THE CIVIL RIGHTS TO FACILITATE CHANGE, TO
- 21 FACILITATE THE RECOGNITION OF PEOPLE IN HOW THEY SHOULD BE
- 22 ACCOUNTED IN TERMS OF THEIR ELECTIONS. TODAY IT'S YOUR TIME TO
- 23 MAKE DECISIONS TO CONTINUE THE LEGACY AND ACHIEVEMENTS OF THE
- 24 CIVIL RIGHTS MOVEMENT. AND I DON'T WANT TO REPEAT ANYTHING.
- 25 AND I KNOW SOME MANY OF YOU, SUPERVISORS, AND YOU'RE GREAT



- 1 LEADERS AND YOU SERVE WELL YOUR COMMUNITY. BUT TODAY IT'S
- 2 ABOUT THE ISSUE OF HOW DO WE ADVANCE THE CIVIL RIGHTS IN L.A.?
- 3 THANK YOU.

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5 POLLY THOMAS: HELLO. MY NAME IS POLLY THOMAS.

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- 7 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: LET ME ALSO AGAIN CALL UP ANN FRANZEN,
- 8 FRANZEN, JOSEPH DERTHICK. VIVIAN HANSON HAS ALREADY SPOKEN.
- 9 GREG WASKUL, GREG WASKUL. AND FRANK VILLALOBOS. YOU'RE ON.

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- 11 POLLY THOMAS: HI. MY NAME IS POLLY THOMAS AND I SUPPORT PLAN
- 12 A-3. THE FOURTH DISTRICT IS FORTUNATE IN HAVING A RESPONSIVE
- 13 COUNTY SUPERVISOR. THIS ELECTED POSITION IS ABOUT
- 14 REPRESENTATION AND NOT THE RACE OF THE ELECTED REPRESENTATIVE.
- 15 TO CHANGE THE DISTRICT LINES WOULD CAUSE MY COMMUNITY TO BE
- 16 DISENFRANCHISED BY JOINING THEM WITH THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY,
- 17 MALIBU, SANTA MONICA, WHICH IS JUST MILES AND MILES AWAY FROM
- 18 OUR CITY. EARLIER THIS MONTH, OUR NATION OPENED A NATIONAL
- 19 MONUMENT HONORING MARTIN LUTHER KING. AMONG HIS MANY
- 20 ACHIEVEMENTS IS KING'S MEMORABLE SPEECH ABOUT HIS DREAM. AND
- 21 THAT DREAM IS ABOUT THE CHARACTER OF A MAN BEING JUDGED, NOT
- 22 BY THE COLOR OF HIS DESIGN BUT BY HIS CHARACTER. BY SUPPORTING
- 23 A-3, YOU ARE PERPETUATING DR. KING'S DREAM. PLEASE DO SO.

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25 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. YES, SIR.



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- 2 JOSEPH DERTHICK: HONORABLE MEMBERS OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
- 3 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS JOSEPH DERTHICK. I'M AN
- 4 INDEPENDENT BUSINESSMAN AND PRESIDENT OF THE NORWALK CHAMBER
- 5 OF COMMERCE. I FEEL COMPELLED TO WEIGH IN ON THESE PROPOSED
- 6 PLANS BEFORE YOU. I'VE TAKEN TIME OUT OF MY DAY AND I'M 100
- 7 PERCENT COMMISSION, SO PLEASE RESPECT MY TIME AND PAY
- 8 ATTENTION. I HAVE BEEN RAISED, EDUCATED, WORKED AND LIVED IN
- 9 WHAT IS NOW CURRENTLY THE FOURTH DISTRICT FOR THE PAST 50
- 10 YEARS. WHILE DIVERSE AND SOCIOECONOMIC AND ETHNIC MAKEUP, THE
- 11 FOURTH DISTRICT HAS OVER THE YEARS DEVELOPED MANY
- 12 INTERDEPENDENT RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN THE VARIOUS CITIES,
- 13 ETHNIC COMMUNITIES, BUSINESSES AND NONPROFITS THAT COMPILE THE
- 14 CURRENT DISTRICT BOUNDARIES. DON KNABE AND HIS PREDECESSOR
- 15 DEAN DANA SHOWED WHAT GREAT LEADERSHIP IS BY ESTABLISHING AN
- 16 INCREDIBLE NETWORK OF OFFICES AND STAFF MEMBERS THAT RESPOND
- 17 OUICKLY TO ANY ISSUES NO MATTER WHAT THE SIZE. THE SUPERVISORS
- 18 ALWAYS BECOME PERSONALLY INVOLVED WHENEVER POSSIBLE. CENSUS
- 19 DATA SHOULD BE USED TO REALIGN CURRENT DISTRICT BOUNDARIES,
- 20 PLAN A-3, WITH MINIMAL DISRUPTION.

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- 22 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: YOUR TIME IS UP. THANK YOU. THANK YOU.
- 23 SORRY. LET ME CALL ALSO LUCY RAMOS, JORGE ROBLES AND SHARON
- 24 LOWE. YES, SIR.



- 1 FRANK VILLALOBOS: HONORABLE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, MY NAME IS
- 2 FRANK VILLALOBOS, I'M HERE REPRESENTING THE EAST LOS ANGELES
- 3 COMMUNITY YOUTH CENTER, A FACILITY IN EAST LOS ANGELES
- 4 SUPPORTED BY GLORIA MOLINA. I'M HERE AS A TAXPAYER AND AS A
- 5 VOTER IN THE FIRST DISTRICT. I HAVE IN THE PAST, YOU KNOW,
- 6 MADE A MARK AS AN ACTIVIST ALTHOUGH I AM AN ARCHITECT AND A
- 7 FELLOW IN THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS. I'M BEST
- 8 REMEMBERED FOR THE FIGHT AGAINST THE PRISON WHICH I SPENT 10
- 9 YEARS WITH GLORIA MOLINA FIGHTING THE STATE IN PREVENTING A
- 10 PRISON TO BE BUILT IN EAST LOS ANGELES. I OPPOSE A-3 BASED ON
- 11 THE FACT THAT IT DOES NOT TRULY REPRESENT THE COMPLEXION OF
- 12 THE NEW COMMUNITY IN THE STATE, IN THIS COUNTY. I AM
- 13 SUPPORTIVE OF GLORIA'S PLAN TO EXTEND AN OPPORTUNITY TO BECOME
- 14 MORE IN LINE WITH THE COMPLEXITY OF THE NEW RESIDENTS OF THIS
- 15 AREA.

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17 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU.

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19 FRANK VILLALOBOS: AN EXAMPLE -- IS THIS ONE MINUTE?

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- 21 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: NO, SIR, I'M SORRY. WE ONLY HAVE ONE
- 22 MINUTE FOR EACH PERSON. SORRY. YES, SIR, YOU'RE NEXT. YES,
- 23 MA'AM.

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25 FRANK VILLALOBOS: I SUPPORT GLORIA MOLINA. [LAUGHTER.]



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2 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: WE KNOW THAT.

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- 4 SHARON LOWE: GOOD AFTERNOON, MY NAME IS SHARON LOWE. I SPEAK
- 5 IN OPPOSITION TO MAINTAINING THE STATUS OUO. WHILE I CONCUR
- 6 WITH MANY OF THE POINTS RAISED BY MY FELLOW A.P.I. ANGELINOS,
- 7 I HAVE TO RESPECT DISAGREE, WHICH IS TYPICAL OF ME. CHANGES
- 8 ARE INEVITABLE AND SO ARE RELATIONSHIPS. THEY ARE DESTINED TO
- 9 BE DISRUPTED. AS IN 2014 THREE OF THE MEMBERS OF THIS BOARD
- 10 WILL BE TURNED OUT. SO CHANGES WILL HAPPEN. HISTORY HAS SHOWN
- 11 US THAT CHALLENGES TO THE STATUS QUO AND ADHERENCE TO THE
- 12 VOTING RIGHTS ACT HAVE RESULTED INTO POSITIVE CHANGES AND
- 13 IMPROVED QUALITY OF LIFE FOR DISENFRANCHISED COMMUNITIES. BUT
- 14 FOR THESE CHALLENGES, I WOULD NOT HAVE BEEN ABLE TO VOTE FOR A
- 15 FINER AND A FIRST FEMALE MEMBER OF THIS BOARD. I WOULD NOT BE
- 16 ABLE TO SEE TODAY IN THE FIRST DISTRICT A REPLACEMENT HOSPITAL
- 17 THAT IS STATE-OF-THE-ART AND AT THE SAME TIME HEALTHCARE
- 18 FACILITIES VIA CLINICS THROUGHOUT THE FIRST DISTRICT. I WOULD
- 19 NOT BE ABLE TO SEE TODAY THAT THE L.A. RIVER AND THE SAN
- 20 GABRIEL RIVER ARE CLEAN, PROTECTED WATERSHEDS AND PROVIDE
- 21 RECREATION AND GREEN SPACE FOR COMMUNITIES ALONG THE RIVER,
- 22 BOTH RIVERS. THIS IS ESSENTIAL.

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24 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU, MA'AM.



1 SHARON LOWE: THANK YOU.

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- 3 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: LET ME ALSO CALL UP CHANTHY YI.
- 4 CHANTHY YI. ERNESTO PANTOJA AND JAMES GILLIAM. YES, SIR.

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- 6 JORGE ROBLES: MY NAME IS JORGE ROBLES. I'M ON THE PASTOR DE
- 7 TRINITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH IN SOUTH WHITTIER. I HAVE BEEN
- 8 WORKING FOR MANY YEARS TO IMPROVE PUBLIC -- IN THE
- 9 UNINCORPORATED AREA OF SOUTH WHITTIER WITH THE COOPERATION OF
- 10 THE CHILDREN'S DEPARTMENT, OUR COMMUNITY WAS ABLE TO TAKE BACK
- 11 MAYBERRY PARK. THIS AREA NOW IS GANG-FREE. CHILDREN PLAY
- 12 FREELY AND FAMILIES ARE ABLE TO ENJOY THE PARK ANY TIME. I AM
- 13 ASKING YOU TO LISTEN TO THE PEOPLE OF THE COUNTY OF LOS
- 14 ANGELES. DON'T DILUTE THEIR VOICE BY PACKING ALL LATINOS INTO
- 15 ONE SINGLE DISTRICT. IN SHORT, WE SUPPORT T-1 OR S-2 MAP.
- 16 GLORIA MOLINA, THANK YOU TO CONTINUE SUPPORT IN WHITTIER.
- 17 [APPLAUSE.] (GAVEL).

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- 19 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: LET ME ALSO CALL UP TOBY KEELER. YES,
- 20 SIR.

- 22 CHANTHY YI: THE HONORABLE L.A. COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, MY
- 23 NAME IS CHANTHY YI, THE COMMUNITY SPECIALIST OF THE CAMBODIAN
- 24 COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA IN LONG BEACH. I'M HERE TODAY
- 25 TO EXPRESS MY OPINION AS A CONCERNED CITIZEN AND ON BEHALF OF



- 1 MY PEOPLE BACK THERE IN THE AUDIENCE. AS A GROUP, WE ARE HERE
- 2 TODAY TO VOICE OUR SUPPORT FOR THE REDISTRICTING PLAN A-3
- 3 AMENDED UNDER WHICH THE CURRENT BOUNDARIES ARE PHYSICALLY
- 4 MAINTAINED. LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, AS ONE OF THE MINORITY
- 5 GROUPS IN L.A. COUNTY, WE FIRMLY BELIEVE SOCIAL JUSTICE AND
- 6 THEIR REPRESENTATION. THEREFORE WOULD WOULD LIKE TO HUMBLY
- 7 REOUEST YOU ALL SUPPORT A-3 SO WE ALL CAN MOVE ON NORMALLY
- 8 WITH OUR LIVES WITHOUT ANY DISRUPTIONS OF SERVICES AND
- 9 HAPPINESS FROM THE COUNTY AND GOVERNMENT. THANK YOU.

11 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. AND LET ME ALSO CALL UP

12 EMELIA CASTENEDA. YES, SIR.

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14 JAMES GILLIAM: GOOD AFTERNOON. I AM JAMES GILLIAM, THE DEPUTY

- 15 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE A.C.L.U. OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA.
- 16 THIS BODY WILL SOON CAST A CRITICAL VOTE TO DECIDE HOW TO
- 17 REDRAW DISTRICT LINES. YOU HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE HISTORY
- 18 OR REPEAT IT. IF YOU HONOR THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT. YOU WILL
- 19 BECOME THE FIRST BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO DO SO IN OVER HALF A
- 20 CENTURY. IF NOT, YOU WILL REPEAT ONE OF THE MOST SHAMEFUL
- 21 CHAPTERS IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY HISTORY. FROM 1950 THROUGH
- 22 1990, SUCCESSIVE BOARDS OF SUPERVISORS DELIBERATELY DILUTED
- 23 THE LATINO VOTE TO PRESERVE THEIR OWN INCUMBENT POWER. IT WAS
- 24 DELIBERATE DISENFRANCHISEMENT. IT'S A STORY ALREADY INTIMATELY
- 25 FAMILIAR TO EVERY MEMBER OF THE BOARD AND TO THE A.C.L.U.,



- 1 BECAUSE WE HELPED LITIGATE GARZA. HERE IN L.A. COUNTY, LATINOS
- 2 NOW COMPRISE 48 PERCENT OF THE COUNTY'S POPULATION AND LATINOS
- 3 AND ASIANS WERE THE PRIMARY FORCES BEHIND THE COUNTY'S GROWTH
- 4 IN THE PAST DECADE. THIS INCREASING REPRESENTATION MUST BE
- 5 REFLECTED IN REDISTRICTING PLANS. WE URGE YOU TO ADOPT A PLAN
- 6 THAT WILL NOT DILUTE LATINO VOTING STRENGTH AND WILL GIVE
- 7 LATINOS A MEANINGFUL OPPORTUNITY TO ELECT CANDIDATES OF THEIR
- 8 CHOICE.

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- 10 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP.
- 11 [APPLAUSE.] JOAN KAY, JOAN KAY.

- 13 ERNESTO PANTOJA: GOOD AFTERNOON MY NAME IS ERNESTO PANTOJA.
- 14 I'M HERE TO SPEAK ON BEHALF OF NOT ONLY MYSELF BUT LABORERS
- 15 LOCAL 300. WE HAVE A MEMBERSHIP OF OVER 10,000 MEMBERS WITHIN
- 16 THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, A MAJORITY OF WHICH COME OUT OF THE
- 17 SAN FERNANDO VALLEY AND A MAJORITY OF THOSE ARE LATINO. OUR
- 18 MAIN INTEREST HERE IS THE FUTURE. WE DO APPLAUD THE EFFORTS OF
- 19 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. WE DO APPRECIATE HIS HARD WORK, HIS
- 20 DEDICATION, HIS COMMITMENT, HIS STRENGTH AND HIS SELFLESSNESS
- 21 IN OVERSEEING HIS DISTRICT. OUR MAIN ISSUE IS THE FUTURE AND
- 22 WHAT'S GOING TO HAPPEN ONCE HE'S GONE. FOR ME PERSONALLY, I
- 23 WAS BORN AND RAISED IN THE VALLEY IN THE CITY OF SAN FERNANDO
- 24 UNDER YAROSLAVSKY'S DISTRICT. AND I NOW LIVE IN WEST L.A. WITH
- 25 THE HOPES OF RETURNING TO THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY. AND I'VE



- 1 HEARD OVER AND OVER ABOUT COMMUNITIES OF INTEREST. BUT LET ME
- 2 SAY SOMETHING. THERE IS NO COMMUNITY OF INTEREST BETWEEN MY
- 3 LIVING IN WEST L.A. AND GROWING UP IN THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY.
- 4 AND THAT'S WHAT WE NEED TO PRESERVE AND FIGHT FOR. THANK YOU.

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- 6 TOBY KEELER: I'M TOBY KEELER. DISTINGUISHED SUPERVISORS, OR AT
- 7 LEAST I USED TO FEEL THAT WAY BUT EVER SINCE THE LAST-MINUTE
- 8 REDISTRICTING MESS UNFOLDED IT SEEMS MORE LIKE A POLITICAL
- 9 CHESS MATCH WHERE WE THE PEOPLE ARE MERELY PAWNS IN SOMEONE'S
- 10 GAME PLAN. DOES THIS BOARD REALLY SUPPORT FRAGMENTING OUR
- 11 COMMUNITIES OF INTEREST, LEAVING 3-1/2 MILLION CITIZENS
- 12 SUDDENLY REPRESENTED BY A SUPERVISOR FOR WHOM NO ONE VOTED?
- 13 WITH ALL DUE RESPECT, HOW WOULD YOU FEEL? BUT WHAT BOTHERS ME
- 14 THE MOST ARE WHAT WOULD COME AS RACE-BAITING UNDERTONES BEING
- 15 USED BY SOME, INCLUDING THE L.A. TIMES, TO SOMEHOW JUSTIFY THE
- 16 WORST EXAMPLE OF GERRYMANDERING I'VE EVER SEEN IN MY YEARS AS
- 17 AN AVERAGE, CONCERNED, MIDDLE CLASS AMERICAN VOTER. I WOULD
- 18 FINALLY URGE THAT YOU NOT FORGET THE HUNDREDS OF VOICES FROM
- 19 ACROSS ALL ETHNIC TRADITIONS WHO SHOWED UP HERE ON SEPTEMBER
- 20 THE SIXTH AND WHO BY A SIGNIFICANT MARGIN OF 5 TO 1 VOICED
- SUPPORT FOR MAP A-3 AMENDED AND OPPOSED MAPS T-1 AND S-2.
- 22 PLEASE HONOR THE MAJORITY WILL OF THE PEOPLE. THANK YOU.

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24 SUP. KNABE: THANK YOU, NEXT? SHE'S UP, ZEV. SHE'S UP.



1 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: WHO IS?

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3 SUP. KNABE: THIS LADY RIGHT HERE.

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5 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: YES, GO AHEAD.

- 7 CHRISTINE VALENCIANA: I'M CHRISTINE VALENCIANA, RESIDENT OF
- 8 DIAMOND BAR AND PROFESSOR AT CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY,
- 9 FULLERTON. I'M ALSO SPEAKING ON BEHALF OF MY MOTHER EMELIA
- 10 CASTENADA, A RESIDENT OF LA MIRADA WHO WAS BORN IN BOYLE
- 11 HEIGHTS IN 1926 AND A RESIDENT OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY FOR OVER
- 12 75 YEARS. THE HISTORY OF L.A. COUNTY SHOWS THAT A LACK OF
- 13 REPRESENTATION HAS CONTRIBUTED TO LATENT DISCRIMINATION
- 14 AGAINST MEXICAN AND MEXICAN AMERICANS. L.A. COUNTY, WITH THE
- 15 AUTHORIZATION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, EXPELLED 1 OUT OF 3
- 16 MEXICAN AMERICAN FAMILIES TO MEXICO, A FOREIGN COUNTRY DURING
- 17 THE 1930S. MANY OF THOSE PEOPLE WERE NEVER ABLE TO VOTE DUE TO
- 18 THIS ACTION. LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OPERATED
- 19 A DEPORTATION OFFICE AND LATER CALLED IT A REPATRIATION
- 20 OFFICE, WHICH WAS REALLY A OF EUPHEMISM, AS MANY OF THOSE
- 21 DEPORTED, LIKE MY MOTHER, HAD NEVER BEEN TO MEXICO. I WAS
- 22 PROVIDED TESTIMONY IN AN ORAL HISTORY INTERVIEW IN 1971 WITH
- 23 JOHN ANSON FORD, WHO EXPLAINED THE ROLE OF THE BOARD OF
- 24 SUPERVISORS IN THIS ILLEGAL AND UNJUST EXPULSION OF THOUSANDS



- 1 FROM LOS ANGELES COUNTY IN THE 1930S. MY MOTHER WAS NINE YEARS
- 2 OLD WHEN SHE WAS DEPORTED TO MEXICO.

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4 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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6 CHRISTINE VALENCIANA I'M SUPPOSED TO GET TWO MINUTES, SIR.

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8 >>SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: ONE.

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- 10 CHRISTINE VALENCIANA: I'M SUPPOSED TO GET TWO MINUTES. I'M
- 11 REPRESENTING MYSELF AND MY MOTHER, EXCUSE ME.

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13 EMELIA CASTENADA: ONE MINUTE FOR ME.

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15 CHRISTINE VALENCIANA: ONE MINUTE FOR HER.

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17 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: YOU'RE REPRESENTING YOUR MOTHER.

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- 19 CHRISTINE VALENCIANA: YES, MY MOTHER WAS NINE YEARS OLD WHEN
- 20 SHE WAS DEPORTED TO MEXICO.

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22 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: CONTINUE, I'M SORRY. GO ON.

- 24 CHRISTINE VALENCIANA: OKAY, THANK YOU, SIR. MY MOTHER WAS NINE
- 25 YEARS OLD WHEN SHE WAS DEPORTED TO MEXICO ALONG WITH HER



- 1 FAMILY. AND THIS WAS A DIRECT RESULT OF THE ACTIONS OF THIS
- 2 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IN 1935. HER LIFE AND THOUSANDS OF OTHERS
- 3 LIVES WERE SEVERELY AND NEGATIVELY IMPACTED. SHE AND HER
- 4 FAMILY BECAME HOMELESS IN A FOREIGN LAND WHERE SHE WAS FORCED
- 5 TO LIVE OUTDOORS, WAS UNABLE TO CONTINUE WITH HER EDUCATION
- 6 AND ENDURED CHILD LABOR FOR NINE LONG YEARS. PLEASE REJECT THE
- 7 A-3 MAP AS THIS WOULD BE ANOTHER EXAMPLE OF INJUSTICE AND
- 8 DENIAL OF VOICE TO THE LATINO COMMUNITY. THE LOS ANGELES
- 9 COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS DID NOT REPRESENT MEXICAN
- 10 AMERICANS IN THE 1930S. THEREFORE IT'S CRITICAL THAT THE LOS
- 11 ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS REPRESENT MEXICAN
- 12 AMERICANS IN THE 21ST CENTURY TO AVOID FUTURE DISCRIMINATION
- 13 AND INJUSTICE BY SUPPORTING THE A-1 OR S-2 MAP. THANK YOU VERY
- 14 MUCH.

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- 16 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: SORRY ABOUT THAT. (APPLAUSE.) PLEASE
- 17 USE YOUR HANDS. LET ME ALSO CALL UP DAVID LEVY. STEVE TWINING.
- 18 STEVE TWINING.

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20 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: TWINING, TWINING.

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- 22 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: TWINING. BRUCE ROYER. BRUCE ROYER.
- 23 YES, MA'AM.



- 1 JOAN KAY: MY NAME IS JOAN KAY AND I'M GOING TO MAKE SOME
- 2 COMMENTS HERE ON BEHALF OF LES HARDY, WHO IS PRESIDENT OF THE
- 3 MONTANITA VALLEY COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, AND THAT IS LOCATED
- 4 OFF LAS VIRGINES CANYON ROAD. DEAR SUPERVISORS, OUR
- 5 ASSOCIATION REPRESENTS SOME 350 HOUSEHOLDS IN THE SANTA MONICA
- 6 MOUNTAINS AND WISHES TO GO ON RECORD IN SUPPORT OF THE LAS
- 7 VIRGINES HOMEOWNER'S FEDERATION POSITION SUPPORTING PLAN A-3.
- 8 WE OPPOSE T-1 AND S-2. WE URGE REDISTRICTING BE DONE IN A
- 9 COMMON SENSE MANNER, PROTECTING ESTABLISHED COMMUNITIES OF
- 10 INTEREST. PLEASE VOTE FOR A-3. SINCERELY, LES HARDY,
- 11 PRESIDENT, MONTANITA VALLEY COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION.

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- 13 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. THANK YOU. AND
- 14 LET ME ALSO CALL UP PAT HEALY. PAT HEALY? BONNIE ROTH. ALLYN
- 15 RIFKIA? RIFKIA? JONI NOVOSEL? JONI NOVOSEL? IS SHE COMING UP?
- 16 OKAY. YES, SIR. YOU CAN GO ON.

- 18 DAVID LEVY: HI. MY NAME IS DAVID LEVY. I'VE BEEN A SANTA
- 19 MONICA MOUNTAINS RESIDENT IN UNINCORPORATED LOS ANGELES COUNTY
- 20 FOR 30 YEARS. I'M HERE TO ASK YOU TO OPPOSE THE REDISTRICTING
- 21 PLAN T-1 AND S-2 AND TO SUPPORT PLAN A-3. I'M ALSO A BOARD
- 22 MEMBER OF THE CORRAL CANYON FIRE SAFETY ALLIANCE. WE HAD A
- 23 DEVASTATING FIRE FOUR YEARS AGO THAT WE HAVE NOT YET RECOVERED
- 24 FROM. FIRE IN THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS DOESN'T KNOW FROM
- 25 POLITICAL BOUNDARIES. WE HAVE TO WORK TOGETHER WITH



- 1 NEIGHBORING COMMUNITIES. THE ENVIRONMENTAL AND SAFETY ISSUES
- 2 THAT ARE UNIQUE TO THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS DON'T LEND
- 3 THEMSELVES TO PLANS T-1 AND S-2. DON'T BREAK UP COMMUNITY
- 4 RELATIONSHIPS AND SUPPORT THAT HAS BEEN BUILT UP OVER THE FOUR
- 5 DECADES THAT I HAVE LIVED IN DISTRICT 3. DON'T GERRYMANDER OUR
- 6 SAFETY. I URGE YOU TO VOTE TO SUPPORT A-3. THANK YOU.

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- 8 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. HOLD ON ONE MOMENT. LET ME
- 9 ALSO CALL UP STACY SLEDGE. STACY SLEDGE? REMY O'NEILL. REMY
- 10 O'NEILL? STACY SIGNED UP TWICE. DR. CHRISTINE VALENCIA. DR.
- 11 CHRISTINE VALENCIA? VALICANA, VALICANA. JODY THOMAS. DOROTHY
- 12 REIK. DOROTHY. COME UP IF I CALL YOUR NAME. OKAY. YES, MA'AM.

- 14 PAT HEALY: HONORABLE SUPERVISORS, I'M PAT HEALY AND TODAY I'M
- 15 REPRESENTING MYSELF AND ALSO SPEAKING ON BEHALF OF THE MALIBU
- 16 COALITION FOR SLOW GROWTH. PLEASE REJECT T-1 AND S-2, AS
- 17 THEY'RE ENTIRELY TOO DISRUPTIVE BY REASSIGNING 3-1/2 MILLION
- 18 PEOPLE TO A NEW DISTRICT WHERE THEY DIDN'T VOTE FOR THEIR
- 19 SUPERVISORS AND HAVE NO RELATIONSHIP WITH THEM. OVER 1 MILLION
- 20 OF OUR CITIZENS OF THE THIRD DISTRICT, DISMEMBERING
- 21 COMMUNITIES OF INTEREST AND ALLIANCES THAT HAVE UNITED US FOR
- 22 TWO DECADES WITH OUR COMMON PRIORITY OF PROTECTING THE
- 23 ENVIRONMENT, ADDRESSING IMPORTANT TRANSPORTATION ISSUES,
- 24 SAVING OPEN SPACE, PROVIDING RECREATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR
- 25 ALL ANGELINOS. PLEASE ADOPT A-3 AMENDED, WHICH PROTECTS --



- 1 WHICH MEETS THE VOTING ACT REQUIREMENTS, RESPECTS THE
- 2 INTEGRITY AND COHESIVENESS OF ALL DISTRICTS, INCLUDING THE
- 3 THIRD DISTRICT. THANK YOU.

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- 5 JONI NOVOSEL: MY NAME IS JONI NOVOSEL, AND I AM THE RESIDENT
- 6 OF DISTRICT 3 AND I AM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE VALLEY
- 7 CARE COMMUNITY CONSORTIUM, WHICH IS A HEALTH AND MENTAL HEALTH
- 8 PLANNING AGENCY. RIGHT NOW HEALTHCARE IS DEALING WITH
- 9 HEALTHCARE REFORM TRYING TO CREATE RELATIONSHIPS, ACCOUNTABLE
- 10 CARE ORGANIZATIONS AND MOVING IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION THANKS TO
- 11 PRESIDENT OBAMA. CURRENTLY THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY HAS A 10
- 12 PERCENT ASIAN POPULATION, A 3.61 PERCENT BLACK POPULATION, A
- 13 41.47 PERCENT HISPANIC POPULATION AND A 40 PERCENT WHITE
- 14 POPULATION. TO DIVIDE US INTO THREE DISTRICTS IS REALLY NOT
- 15 GOING TO WORK FOR THE COLLABORATIONS, THE PARTNERSHIPS, AND
- 16 THE STRONG WORK WE NEED TO DO TO BE COHESIVE AS WE MOVE
- 17 FORWARD WITH MENTAL HEALTH, ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH AND MEDICAL
- 18 HEALTH PLANNING. THANK YOU.

- 20 REMY O'NEILL: GOOD AFTERNOON. I'M REMY O'NEILL. I'M A RESIDENT
- 21 OF MALIBU AND THE VICE PRESIDENT OF THE CORNUCOPIA FOUNDATION.
- 22 I'M HERE TO SUPPORT A-3 AS AMENDED. CITIES ARE ALWAYS CHANGING
- 23 AND IT'S GOVERNMENT'S CHALLENGE TO RESPOND WISELY FAIRLY. BUT
- 24 YOU DON'T GO INTO THE HOME AND BREAK UP THE FAMILY, ESPECIALLY
- 25 WHEN THE FAMILY ISN'T ASKING FOR A DIVORCE. T-1 AND S-2



- 1 ARBITRARILY DISLOCATE THE FAMILY CITIES OF THE THIRD DISTRICT.
- 2 IT BREAKS UP THE STRENGTH OF 20 YEARS OF COMMUNICATION AND
- 3 COOPERATION ON COMMON INTERESTS AND ISSUES. AND YOU CERTAINLY
- 4 DON'T EQUALIZE VOTER REPRESENTATION BY DISENFRANCHISING PEOPLE
- 5 OF THE THIRD DISTRICT, PARTICULARLY WHEN THIS IS A GREAT
- 6 EXAMPLE OF A POSITIVE DYNAMIC IN GOVERNMENT. WHAT POLITICAL
- 7 WISDOM WOULD MOVE 3-1/2 MILLION PEOPLE TO DISTRICTS WHERE THEY
- 8 DON'T WANT TO BE WITHOUT COMMON ISSUES?

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10 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU, MA'AM. SORRY. NEXT?

- 12 DOROTHY REIK: HI, MY NAME IS DOROTHY REIK. I LIVE IN TOPANGA
- 13 CANYON. I'VE BEEN THERE FOR 40 YEARS AND I'M HERE TO SUPPORT
- 14 A-3. I WAS AT A WORKSHOP ON SUNDAY. IT WAS VERY INTERESTING.
- 15 THEY TOLD ME THE GUIDING PRINCIPLE OF THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT
- 16 WAS ONE PERSON, ONE VOTE. I SEE THAT S-2 AND T-1 ESPECIALLY
- 17 HAVE A NEW PRINCIPAL: ONE PERSON NO VOTE. SO I AM HERE TO
- 18 OPPOSE THAT. WHEN I MOVED TO TOPANGA, I DIDN'T REALIZE IT, BUT
- 19 I SOON CAME TO KNOW THAT IT'S MORE THAN LIVING THERE. YOU HAVE
- 20 A RESPONSIBILITY WHEN YOU LIVE IN THE MOUNTAINS IN SOUTHERN
- 21 CALIFORNIA. YOU HAVE TO PROTECT IT. AND YOU HAVE TO LOVE IT
- 22 AND YOU HAVE TO FIGHT ALL ENEMIES. AN ENEMY OF THE SANTA
- 23 MONICA MOUNTAINS IS THE DEVELOPERS. WHEN I LIVED THERE 15, 20
- 24 YEARS AGO, WE HAD A DEVELOPER WHO WANTED TO TAKE THE TOPS OFF
- 25 THE MOUNTAINS, PUT THEM IN THE VALLEYS. BUILD A GOLF COURSE. A



- 1 GATED COMMUNITY. PUT IN A HOTEL AND CONDOMINIUMS AND CONDEMN
- 2 ALL THE LITTLE HOUSES ALONG THE CREEK TO MAKE ROOM FOR THE
- 3 RUNOFF FROM THE GOLF COURSE. IT TOOK US 15 YEARS TO FIGHT
- 4 THAT.

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6 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. YES, MA'AM.

- 8 JODY THOMAS: MY NAME IS JODY THOMAS. I'M THE PRESIDENT OF THE
- 9 OLD TOPANGA HOMEOWNERS' INCORPORATED. I REPRESENT A RURAL
- 10 COMMUNITY IN THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS THAT IS WITHIN THE
- 11 BOUNDARIES OF THE SANTA MONICA NATIONAL RECREATION AREA. WE
- 12 SUPPORT THE A-3 PLAN. THE NATIONAL RECREATION AREA IS ONE OF
- 13 THE COUNTY'S MOST VALUABLE RESOURCES AND IS UTILIZED AND
- 14 ACCESSIBLE TO PEOPLE OF ALL ETHNICITIES. WE STRONGLY OPPOSE
- 15 THE GERRYMANDERED T-1 AND S-2 REDISTRICTING PROPOSALS AS THEY
- 16 NEEDLESSLY DISMANTLE AND FRAGMENT OUR COMMUNITY, DESTROYING
- 17 MORE THAN 20 YEARS OF CONSERVATION, COOPERATION AND PROGRESS
- 18 THAT PROTECTS AND PRESERVES OUR RECREATION AREAS, OPEN SPACE
- 19 AND PRECIOUS NATURAL RESOURCES. THIS DIVERSE HABITAT IS UNDER
- 20 CONSTANT THREAT OF URBANIZATION AND IS ESSENTIAL TO CURRENT
- 21 AND FUTURE GENERATIONS OF ANGELINOS, YOUNG AND OLD. WE VOTED
- 22 FOR AND SUPPORTED A SUPERVISOR WHO HAS BEEN A TRUE LEADER AS
- 23 OUR VOICE AND YOU WHO CONTINUES TO REPRESENT OUR PRIORITIES.
- 24 AT WHAT POINT DO WE STOP DRAWING LINES OF SEGREGATION AND



1 BEGIN WORKING TOGETHER RESPECTFULLY AS ALL CITIZENS OF THE

2 HUMAN RACE? THANK YOU.

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- 4 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP
- 5 STEPHANIE MARDESICH AND MARK MASOAKA. AND JESS THOMAS. YES,
- 6 SIR.

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- 8 BRUCE ROYER: YES. HELLO. MY NAME IS BRUCE ROYER. I AM STRONGLY
- 9 OPPOSED TO T-1 AND S-2 AND IN SUPPORT OF A-3 AMENDED. I'M A
- 10 RESIDENT OF TOPANGA CANYON AND A BUSINESS OWNER. I'M PRESIDENT
- 11 OF THE TOPANGA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND I SIT ON THE TOPANGA
- 12 EMERGENCY TASKFORCE. WE HAVE COORDINATED MANY, MANY ACTIVITIES
- 13 AND GOALS WITH NEIGHBORING COMMUNITIES AND THE SANTA MONICA
- 14 ORGANIZATIONS FOR EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS AND OTHER WAYS. AND
- 15 WE'RE VERY PROUD OF THE SUCCESSES AND ACHIEVEMENTS THAT
- 16 RESULTED FROM A DEEP AND MEANINGFUL LONG-TERM COLLABORATION
- 17 BETWEEN OUR COMMUNITY, THE FIRST RESPONDERS, AND OUR ELECTED
- 18 OFFICIAL. WE VERY MUCH APPRECIATE OUR REPRESENTATIVE
- 19 GOVERNMENT THAT IS DOING AN EXCELLENT JOB, A PROACTIVE JOB OF
- 20 MEETING THE CHALLENGES OF OUR AREA. I STRONGLY OPPOSE THE T-1
- 21 AND S-2 MAPS THAT WOULD DEPRIVE OF US A RIGHTFULLY ELECTED
- 22 REPRESENTATION AND THREATEN THE VERY SUBSTANTIAL
- 23 ACCOMPLISHMENTS THAT WE'VE ACHIEVED. PLEASE VOTE FOR A-3.

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25 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. YES, MA'AM.



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2 STACY SLEDGE: HI, I'M STACY SLEDGE, PRESIDENT OF THE TOPANGA

- 3 TOWN COUNCIL IN DISTRICT 3 AND WE OPPOSE T-1 AND S-2. AT THE
- 4 LAST HEARING, I SPOKE IN DETAIL OF THE INTERCONNECTED PROGRAMS
- 5 TOPANGA SHARES WITH ITS BEACH MOUNTAIN AND VALLEY SIDE
- 6 NEIGHBORS. I DO REALIZE MANY OF OUR SANTA MONICA MOUNTAIN
- 7 PROGRAMS ARE A RESULT OF THIS BOARD'S COLLECTIVE EFFORTS. AND
- 8 WE THANK YOU. THE CONFUSION IS: WHY AFTER THIS BOARD'S OBVIOUS
- 9 DEDICATION AND FINANCIAL COMMITMENT TO THE MOUNTAIN AND BEACH
- 10 CAUSES AND TO THE SAFETY OF THOSE WHO LIVE AND WORK IN THESE
- 11 COMMON AREAS OF INTEREST, WHY PROPOSE, SUPPORT OR DEFEND ANY
- 12 REDISTRICTING PLAN THAT WOULD COMPLETELY DISRUPT, DISCONNECT
- 13 OR DESTROY THESE EFFORTS? WITH DUE RESPECT, THE T-1 AND S-2
- 14 PLANS IS LIKE PLANTING A BOMB IN THE MIDDLE OF LOS ANGELES
- 15 WHOSE EXPLOSION DISPLACES 3-1/2 MILLION PEOPLE UNNECESSARILY
- 16 HOPING WE SURVIVE WITH NO CASUALTIES OR SEVERE CONSEQUENCES.
- 17 THE PEOPLE IN THE THIRD DISTRICT HAVE TRUSTED YOUR COLLECTIVE
- 18 JUDGMENT OVER THE LAST 20 YEARS. PLEASE DO NOT COMPLETELY
- 19 DESTROY THE MAJORITY OF DISTRICTS TO ENABLE ONE. THANK YOU.

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- 21 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: HOLD ON. LET ME ALSO CALL UP JESSICA
- 22 DUBOFF. YES, MA'AM.

- 24 STEPHANIE MARDESICH: HELLO. I'M STEPHANIE MARDESICH FROM SAN
- 25 PEDRO, BORN AND RAISED THERE. I'VE SPOKEN TO YOU BEFORE, I'VE



- 1 WRITTEN TO YOU SUPPORTING A-3. WHAT'S ON MY MIND TODAY AND
- 2 HERE I AM AGAIN, FEELING A BIT OF A MINORITY AS A SINGLE WHITE
- 3 FEMALE, IS THAT THERE'S NOT MUCH EMPATHY BEING DEMONSTRATED.
- 4 MY GRANDPARENTS AND GREAT GRANDPARENTS CAME HERE FROM EUROPE
- 5 TO BE AMERICANS. THEY TAUGHT THEIR CHILDREN TO BE AMERICANS
- 6 AND SPEAK ENGLISH. MY LATE MOTHER WAS A TEACHER, TEACHING
- 7 E.S.L. TO HER STUDENTS FROM ALL OVER THE WORLD AND IN
- 8 WILMINGTON TO ELEMENTARY STUDENTS. SHE TRULY BELIEVED THAT
- 9 ENGLISH IS OUR FIRST LANGUAGE TO UNITE OUR COUNTRY. WHAT I
- 10 THINK WE NEED TO CONSIDER AGAIN IS EMPATHY. WE ARE AMERICAN. I
- 11 AM SO PRIVILEGED TO BE HERE. I ECHO ALL THE POSITIVE COMMENTS
- 12 SUPPORTING A-3. BUT I RESPECT THOSE WHO ARE IN OPPOSITION. AND
- 13 WE ALL HAVE A RIGHT TO BE HERE. BUT WE HAVE TO CONSIDER THAT
- 14 WORD EMPATHY AND WHAT IT MEANS ACROSS ALL THESE BOUNDARIES AND
- 15 STICK WITH THE DISTRICTS THAT WE HAVE AND KEEP WORKING.

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- 17 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP RAMONA
- 18 ESPINOSA AND ANGELO LOGAN. YES, SIR. DOESN'T MATTER.

- 20 MARK MASAOKA: MY MAKE IS MARK MASAOKA WITH THE ASIAN-PACIFIC
- 21 POLICY AND PLANNING COUNCIL. THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT PERTAINS TO
- 22 ASIAN AND PACIFIC ISLANDERS, AS WELL. WE OPPOSE S-2 AND T-1
- 23 BECAUSE IT WILL DIVIDE OUR COMMUNITIES AND IT WILL DILUTE AND
- 24 SUBMERGE OUR POLITICAL INFLUENCE AND OPPORTUNITIES AND VIOLATE
- 25 THE SAME PRINCIPLES OF THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT WHICH OTHERS ARE



- ASSERTING. I ALSO WANT TO SAY THAT WE APPRECIATE THE COMMENTS 1
- OF SUPERVISORS RIDLEY-THOMAS AND MOLINA FOR SAYING THAT EVEN 2
- 3 THOUGH THERE MAY BE DIFFERENCES BETWEEN SECTORS OF OUR
- COMMUNITIES, THAT THIS NEED NOT BE A WIDER OR LONGER DISPUTE. 4
- 5 AND THAT ALL OUR COMMUNITIES AS WELL AS IF REST OF THIS COUNTY
- RETAIN MANY COMMON INTERESTS THAT WE NEED TO WORK FOR. 6

8 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP

LAWRENCE LUE. 9

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JESS THOMAS: I'M JESS THOMAS, I LIVE IN AGORA HILLS, BUT I 11

- WOULD LIKE TO VOICE MY SUPPORT OF A-3 WITH A BRIEF FAMILY 12
- VIGNETTE. THREE YEARS AGO MY DAUGHTER MARRIED INTO THE MENDOZA 13
- FAMILY OF ALHAMBRA. BOTH PARENTS OF MY SON-IN-LAW WERE 14
- 15 CHILDREN OF FIRST GENERATION IMMIGRANTS. MY NEW FRIEND, MY
- 16 SON-IN-LAW'S FATHER ANTONIO AND I ARGUE POLITICS QUITE A BIT
- AS THE TEQUILA FLOWS DURING GET-TOGETHERS. HE WILL ARGUE VERY 17
- 18 VEHEMENTLY ABOUT THE FOIBLES OF JERRY BROWN AND ARNOLD BUT HE
- 19 HAS NO IDEA WHO THE SUPERVISOR OF HIS DISTRICT IS OR WHAT THIS
- BOARD ACTUALLY DOES. 20

22 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU.

24 JESS THOMAS: YOU'RE WELCOME.



1 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: YES, MA'AM.

- 3 GUADALUPE ESPINOSA: MY NAME IS GAUDALUPE ESPINOSA, I'M
- 4 SPEAKING ON BEHALF OF MYSELF AND MY MOTHER. 1932, BECAUSE OF
- 5 THE ACTIONS OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,
- 6 BOTH OF MY GRANDMOTHERS AND THEIR AMERICAN-BORN CHILDREN WERE
- 7 SENT OUT OF THIS COUNTRY AND DID NOT RETURN UNTIL MANY YEARS
- 8 LATER. MY GRANDMOTHERS, FELICITAS CASTRO AND -- WERE LIVING
- 9 LEGALLY IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY WITH THEIR AMERICAN-BORN
- 10 CHILDREN. MY MOTHER WAS SIX YEARS OLD, MY FATHER WAS EIGHT. MY
- 11 PARENTS MET IN -- CALIFORNIA WHERE MY GRANDMOTHERS WERE FORCED
- 12 TO RAISE THEIR CHILDREN, THEIR AMERICAN-BORN CHILDREN IN THE
- 13 MOST INHUMANE CIRCUMSTANCES. THEY SUFFERED HUNGER, LACK OF
- 14 DECENT LIVING CONDITIONS, DID NOT GET THE EDUCATION THEIR
- 15 AMERICAN-BORN CITIZENSHIP ENTITLED THEM TO, WORKED IN ORDER TO
- 16 FEED THEIR YOUNGER BROTHERS AND SISTERS. MY MOTHER, RAMONA
- 17 ESPINOSA, WAS BORN IN SAN DIMAS, HAD BEEN BAPTIZED AT LA
- 18 PLACITA AND WAS LIVING ON HAMILL STREET IN BELVEDERE GARDENS.
- 19 AS CALIFORNIA SENATE BILL 670, THE REPATRIATION APOLOGY ACT
- 20 WHICH WAS APPROVED IN 2005 STATES -- IN 1929 GOVERNMENT
- 21 AUTHORITIES TOOK AN AGGRESSIVE PROGRAM TO FORCIBLY REMOVE
- 22 PERSONS OF MEXICAN ANCESTRY FROM THE UNITED STATES. IN
- 23 CALIFORNIA ALONE, APPROXIMATELY 400,000 AMERICAN CITIZENS AND
- 24 LEGAL RESIDENTS OF MEXICAN ANCESTRY WERE FORCED TO GO TO
- 25 MEXICO. IN TOTAL IT IS ESTIMATED THAT 2 MILLION PEOPLE OF



- 1 MEXICAN ANCESTRY WERE FORCIBLY RELOCATED TO MEXICO, 1.2
- 2 MILLION OF WHOM HAD BEEN BORN IN THE UNITED STATES. THROUGHOUT
- 3 CALIFORNIA, MASSIVE RAIDS WERE CONDUCTED ON MEXICAN AMERICAN
- 4 COMMUNITIES RESULTING IN THE CLANDESTINE REMOVAL OF THOUSANDS
- 5 OF PEOPLE, MANY OF WHOM WERE NEVER ABLE TO RETURN TO THE
- 6 UNITED STATES, THEIR COUNTRY OF BIRTH. IT IS OUR BELIEF THAT
- 7 IF WE HAD HAD THE PROPER REPRESENTATION ON THE LOS ANGELES
- 8 COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IN 1932, OUR FAMILY'S FATE WOULD
- 9 HAVE BEEN DIFFERENT. IT IS FOR THIS REASON THAT WE ASK YOU TO
- 10 REJECT THE A-3 MAP. WE FEEL THIS MAP DOES NOT ENSURE THE
- 11 PROPER REPRESENTATION OF THE LATINO COMMUNITY AS IT SHOULD BE
- 12 REPRESENTED ON THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.

14 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. LET ME CALL UP ALSO

15 LAWRENCE LUE. LAWRENCE? YES, SIR.

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17 ANGELO LOGAN: HELLO. MY NAME IS ANGELO LOGAN I'M EXECUTIVE

- 18 DIRECTOR OF EAST YARD COMMUNITIES FOR ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE.
- 19 AND I'M HERE TO VOICE MY SUPPORT FOR THE T-1 AND S-2 MAPS.
- 20 THIS WOULD SUPPORT THE TWO LATINO OPPORTUNITY DISTRICTS. NOT A
- 21 LATINO SUPERVISOR, JUST A FAIR OPPORTUNITY TO ELECT A PERSON
- 22 THAT BEST REPRESENT THEM. AS SOMEONE WHO ORGANIZES
- 23 PREDOMINANTLY URBAN COMMUNITIES, THIS MAKES A LOT OF SENSE TO
- 24 ME. MOST LIKELY A FAMILY FROM WALNUT PARK LIVES IN A DENSELY
- 25 POPULATED URBAN INDUSTRIAL NEIGHBORHOOD MUCH LIKE A FAMILY



- 1 FROM SAN FERNANDO. BOTH FAMILIES NEED HIGHER THAN AVERAGE
- 2 RELIEF FROM TRAFFIC CONGESTION AND AIR POLLUTION. BOTH
- 3 FAMILIES NEED MORE PARKS, MORE OPEN SPACE AND MORE
- 4 OPPORTUNITIES TO EXPLORE WITHIN AND OUTSIDE THE L.A. COUNTY.
- 5 BOTH FAMILIES FACE A VERY SIMILAR CHALLENGE. AND ACCORDING TO
- 6 THE LATEST CENSUS NUMBERS, BOTH FAMILIES DESERVE THE
- 7 OPPORTUNITY TO ELECT MORE ADVOCATES TO THIS BOARD WHO WILL
- 8 HELP THEM MEET THESE CHALLENGES. ONLY THE T-1 AND S-2 MAPS ARE
- 9 DRAWN TO REFLECT THIS REALITY. AND IF WE ARE SERIOUS ABOUT
- 10 MAKING SUBSTANTIVE POSITIVE CHANGE TO OUR COMMUNITIES MOST IN
- 11 NEED, IT IS IMPERATIVE THAT WE ACCEPT THIS REALITY. SO I URGE
- 12 YOU TO REJECT THE A-3 MAP WHICH PRESERVES THE STATUS OUO AND
- 13 PASS THE T-1 OR S-2 MAPS TODAY. THANK YOU.

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- 15 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.] LET ME ALSO
- 16 CALL UP MICHAEL LOPEZ, MICHAEL LOPEZ, EDDIE SIERRA AND FRED
- 17 JOHNSON. YES, SIR.

- 19 LAWRENCE LUE: MAYOR ANTONOVICH, SUPERVISOR MOLINA, SUPERVISOR
- 20 RIDLEY-THOMAS, SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, SUPERVISOR KNABE, GOOD
- 21 AFTERNOON. I'M LAWRENCE LUE OF THE CHINATOWN SERVICE CENTER.
- 22 AND ON BEHALF OF THE COMMUNITY OF CHINESE RESIDING IN
- 23 CHINATOWN AND THE SURROUNDING NEIGHBORHOODS OF ECHO PARK AND
- 24 LINCOLN HEIGHTS, I ASK THAT YOU ADOPT THE A-3 AMENDED PLAN.
- 25 THE ALTERNATE PLANS S-2 AND T-1 PROPOSE TO BREAK OFF AND



- 1 SEPARATE THE CHINESE COMMUNITY IN CHINATOWN AREA FROM THE REST
- 2 OF THE MAJOR CHINESE COMMUNITY WHICH RESIDES TO THE EAST IN
- 3 THE ADJACENT SAN GABRIEL VALLEY, WHILE PLAN A-3 RESPECTS AND
- 4 PRESERVES THAT CONNECTION AND THEIR INFLUENCE TOGETHER ON
- 5 BEHALF OF ALL CHINESE IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. PLANS S-2
- 6 AND T-1 PROPOSE TO GRAFT THE SIGNIFICANT PORTION OF THE
- 7 CHINESE COMMUNITY TO A NEW DISTRICT THAT EXTENDS NORTH OF
- 8 SYLMAR. WHILE SIGNIFICANT IN SIZE AND IMPORTANCE WITH RESPECT
- 9 TO THE L.A. COUNTY CHINESE COMMUNITY, THE GREATER CHINESE
- 10 COMMUNITY WILL BE NUMERICALLY AND CULTURALLY OVERWHELMED IN
- 11 THIS NEW DISTRICT.

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13 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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15 LAWRENCE LUE: JUST PLEASE ADOPT IT.

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- 17 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU, SIR. LET ME ALSO CALL UP
- 18 EDDIE SIERRA AND MICHAEL LOPEZ. YES, SIR.

- 20 SAM CORDOVA: THANK YOU, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS SAM CORDOVA. I
- 21 AM HERE TO REPRESENT MYSELF AND POSSIBLY MY WIFE. I WANT TO
- 22 THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR THE MAKEUP OF THE BOARD THAT NOW
- 23 EXISTS. I AM FOR A-3-1. LET ME TELL YOU WHY I AM HERE
- 24 PRIMARILY IS BECAUSE I HEARD THAT THOSE WHO ARE OPPOSED TO A-
- 25 3-1 WERE BEING CALLED RACISTS! I SUGGEST THAT THAT IS A



- 1 FALSEHOOD. I HAVE BEEN FIGHTING FOR LATINO AND HISPANIC VOICE
- 2 FOR 51 YEARS. BUT I NEVER USED THAT WORD AGAINST ANYONE. THE
- 3 BOARD AS CONSTITUTED NOW HAS BEEN DOING A GOOD JOB. I WANT TO
- 4 KEEP IT THAT WAY. ZEV, THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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- 6 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: LET ME JUST EDITORIALIZE. SAM WAS THE
- 7 CHAIR OF THE COMMITTEE THAT LED THE EFFORT WHEN WE REBUILT
- 8 OLIVE VIEW HOSPITAL. AND WE APPRECIATE SAM'S LEADERSHIP IN
- 9 THAT EFFORT BECAUSE THAT HOSPITAL IS TODAY SERVING THE SAN
- 10 FERNANDO VALLEY AND THE ANTELOPE VALLEY AND PARTS OF SANTA
- 11 CLARITA VALLEY AS WELL. SO THANK YOU FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP IN
- 12 THAT EFFORT.

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- 14 SAM CORDOVA: THANK YOU, MIKE. AND YOU WERE AN EXCELLENT
- 15 SUPERVISOR WHEN YOU REPRESENTED US. WE HATED TO LOSE YOU. BUT
- 16 WE GOT ZEV. AND HE'S GOOD. [LAUGHTER.]

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18 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: THAT'S ABOUT THE BEST I'M GOING TO DO.

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20 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: YES, SIR.

- 22 EDDIE SIERRA: GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME'S EDDIE SIERRA. I'M
- 23 GOING TO REPRESENT RANCHO -- THERE. RANCHO HAS DONE A LOT FOR
- 24 ME. BEEN PART OF THE COMMUNITY FOR A WHILE. ACTUALLY WORKED
- 25 THERE. I GET TREATED THERE. I REMEMBER GOT SEVEN YEARS SPINAL



- 1 CORD INJURY. I SUPPORT A-3. I'D JUST LIKE TO THANK YOU ALL FOR
- 2 PRESENTING A-3 AND HAVING THAT AS A PART FOR DON KNABE. SO WE
- 3 JUST DON'T WANT HIM TO LEAVE BECAUSE HE'S BEEN A PART OF
- 4 RANCHO FOR MANY YEARS. WE JUST WANT TO KEEP HIM GOING.
- 5 RANCHO'S BEEN OPEN FOR 100 YEARS OR SO. WE'D LIKE TO HAVE IT
- 6 OPEN FOR ANOTHER 100.

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- 8 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. BEFORE YOU SPEAK, LET ME
- 9 ALSO CALL UP JORGE CORRALEJO. JESUS TORRES. OR JESSE TORRES.
- 10 AND FELIPE LOZANO. YES, SIR.

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- 12 MICHAEL LOPEZ: YES. MY NAME IS MICHAEL LOPEZ. AND I'VE BEEN IN
- 13 A WHEELCHAIR SINCE -- FOR 18 YEARS NOW AND RANCHO LOS AMIGOS
- 14 AND WITH THE HELP OF DON KNABE KEEPING IT OPEN, HELPING ME
- 15 BECOME A NO BARRIERS MENTOR. NO BARRIERS MENTOR IS ONE THAT
- 16 COUNSELS WITH DISABLED, HELPS THEM WITH THEIR GOALS,
- 17 PROCEEDING WITH JOBS, SCHOOL, ET CETERA. AND I WAS ALSO
- 18 MENTORED ALSO, TOO, BY NO BARRIERS AND WITH THE HELP OF MR.
- 19 DON KNABE KEEPING RANCHO LOS AMIGOS OPEN, I'M NOW A WHEELCHAIR
- 20 BOUND MACHINIST, CERTIFIED WHEELCHAIR BOUND MACHINIST. AND I
- 21 WANT TO THANK MR. DONE KNABE. THAT WAY I CAN HELP OTHERS ALSO.
- 22 I'M ALSO A VOLUNTEER THERE RIGHT NOW.

- 24 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. WHO
- 25 WANTS TO? YOU'RE NEXT? GO ON.



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- 2 FELIPE AGREDANO-LOZANO: GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS FELIPE
- 3 AGREDANO-LOZANO, AND I'M HERE TO OPPOSE A-3. I'VE WORKED AND
- 4 LIVED IN DISTRICT 5 WITH SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. I WORKED IN
- 5 PASADENA. LIVED IN WEST COVENA. BEEN A PROFESSOR AT CAL STATE
- 6 CSUN, OR CALIFORNIA UNIVERSITY NORTHRIDGE, IN SUPERVISOR
- 7 ANTONOVICH'S DISTRICT AND A FORMER ELECTED OFFICIAL IN SAN
- 8 GABRIEL VALLEY. I NOW LIVE IN BOYLE HEIGHTS. I'VE SEEN THE
- 9 DIVERSITY, HOW WE VOTED IN EAST L.A., BOYLE HEIGHTS FOR JEWISH
- 10 LESBIAN ELECTED OFFICIALS AT THE STATE LEVEL, CHINESE AMERICAN
- 11 JUDY CHU ELECTED TO THE ASSEMBLY AND CONGRESS, ALSO IN BOYLE
- 12 HEIGHTS. AND I'M ASKING YOU HERE TO FOLLOW THE VOTING RIGHTS
- 13 ACT. IT IS INSULTING AND PREPOSTEROUS TO ASSUME THAT LATINOS
- 14 WILL NOT VOTE FOR DIVERSITY AND WILL ONLY VOTE FOR LATINOS.
- 15 BUT IT IS A FAIR AND A JUST THING TO SUPPORT THE VOTING RIGHTS
- 16 ACT. SO DO THE RIGHT THING AND SUPPORT THE CREATION OF A
- 17 SECOND DISTRICT THAT WOULD REPRESENT THIS COMMUNITY FAIRLY.
- 18 THANK YOU.

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- 20 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP DAN
- 21 HOFFMAN, DAN HOFFMAN AND FELIPE LOZANO. YES SIR.

- 23 **JESSE TORRES:** MY NAME IS JESSE TORRES. I SERVE AS PRESIDENT
- 24 AND C.E.O. OF PANAMERICAN BANK WHICH IS CALIFORNIA'S OLDEST
- 25 LATINO-OWNED BANK. I APPEAR BEFORE YOU TODAY IN OPPOSITION OF



- 1 MAP A-3 AND I URGE YOU TODAY TO VOTE IN FAVOR OF MAP T-1 OR
- 2 MAP S-2. DILUTING ANYONE'S VOTING POWER IS A SERIOUS VIOLATION
- 3 OF BOTH THE LETTER AND THE SPIRIT OF OUR LAWS. BUT DILUTING
- 4 LATINO VOTING POWER IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY IN PARTICULAR WOULD
- 5 BE A REPEAT OF A CHAPTER IN OUR HISTORY THAT I THOUGHT WE
- 6 WOULD WANT TO AVOID. FROM 1950 TO 1990 THIS BOARD OF
- 7 SUPERVISORS DELIBERATELY DILUTED THE LATINO VOTES. AND AS THE
- 8 HEAD OF PANAMERICAN BANK I CAN TESTIFY TO THE EFFECTS THAT
- 9 THAT KIND OF VOTE DILUTION CAN HAVE ON THE COMMUNITY AT LARGE.
- 10 BOTTOM LINE, IT WEAKENED THE COMMUNITY. A THRIVING PRIVATE
- 11 SECTOR IS VITAL TO THE HEALTH OF A COMMUNITY. BUT SO IS A
- 12 FUNCTIONING AND RESPONSIVE PUBLIC SECTOR. UNTIL A FEDERAL
- 13 COURT JUDGE REDREW COUNTY LINES FAIRLY BACK IN 1990, OUR
- 14 COMMUNITY SIMPLY DID NOT HAVE A STRONG PUBLIC SECTOR.

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16 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU, SIR. YES, SIR.

- 18 JORGE CORRALEJO: BUENOS TARDES. GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS
- 19 JORGE CORRALEJO. I'M THE CHAIRMAN AND C.E.O. OF THE LATINO
- 20 BUSINESS CHAMBER OF THE GREATER LOS ANGELES, ONE OF THE
- 21 LARGEST LATINO BUSINESS CHAMBERS IN THE COUNTRY. WE ARE
- 22 ACTIVELY ENGAGED IN POLICY ISSUES ON A NATIONAL AND STATEWIDE
- 23 LEVEL. WE PUBLISH IN PUBLICATIONS LOCALLY, REGIONALLY AND
- 24 NATIONALLY ON ISSUES WITH REGARDS TO MINORITY PARTICIPATION
- 25 BUT ALSO WITH REGARDS TO WOMEN PARTICIPATION, ALSO WITH



- 1 REGARDS TO DISABLED VETERANS, ALSO WITH REGARDS TO SMALL
- 2 BUSINESS OWNERS OF ANY RACE. SO WE, ALTHOUGH IT IS LATINO LED,
- 3 WE ARE VERY INCLUSIONARY AND WE ARE BUILT UPON A CONCEPT OF
- 4 TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE, WHICH INCLUDES SERVICE TO ANY SMALL
- 5 BUSINESS OWNER AND MEDIUM SIZED BUSINESS OWNER. WE SERVE ALL.
- 6 WE ENCOURAGE AND SERVE ALL. WE ARE INCLUSIVE AND WE ARE
- 7 ASKING, WE OPPOSE A-3. WE ARE ASKING THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
- 8 TO BE INCLUSIVE OF LATINOS. I MEAN ALL YOU NEED TO DO IS TAKE
- 9 A LOOK AT THESE STATISTICS AND THEY TELL YOU WHAT THE FUTURE
- 10 IS, NOT JUST THE CENSUS DATA THAT SHOWS US GROWING AT THE RATE
- 11 OF 10 PERCENT A YEAR. HOWEVER LOOK AT THE SCHOOL DISTRICT THAT
- 12 WILL TELL A DIFFERENT STORY.

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14 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. LET ME CALL UP ANGELO

15 LOGAN, DAVID CRAFT, AND GUADALUPE ESPINOSA. YES, SIR.

17 DAN HOFFMAN: MAYOR ANTONOVICH AND SUPERVISORS, MY NAME IS DAN

- 18 HOFFMAN AND I'M HERE ON BEHALF OF THE BUSINESS FEDERATION.
- 19 THAT IS THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BUSINESS FEDERATION. WE
- 20 REPRESENT 92 BUSINESS ORGANIZATIONS THAT REPRESENTS 150,000
- 21 BUSINESSES IN L.A. COUNTY, WHICH EMPLOY 2 MILLION PEOPLE. THE
- 22 FOURTH DISTRICT IS ONE OF THE MOST DIVERSE IN L.A. COUNTY,
- 23 REPRESENTING WHITES, LATINOS, ASIAN AMERICANS, AFRICAN-
- 24 AMERICANS AND MANY OTHER MINORITY GROUPS SHARING THE SAME
- 25 CONCERNS. PLAN A-3 IS ABSOLUTELY DEMOGRAPHICALLY APPROPRIATE



- 1 AND THE LEAST DISRUPTIVE TO CONSTITUENTS. PLANS S-2 AND T-1
- 2 MOVE MILLIONS NEEDLESSLY AND ULTIMATELY WE HOPE YOU AGREE IT
- 3 IS ABOUT REPRESENTATION AND NOT RACE. AS THE EXECUTIVE
- 4 DIRECTOR FOR THE WILMINGTON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND ON BEHALF
- 5 OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS, WE ALSO UNANIMOUSLY SUPPORT A-3. AND
- 6 MAY I SAY THAT TO SAY THAT I'M VERY PLEASED TO SEE SO MANY OF
- 7 MY NEIGHBORS HERE IN SUPPORT OF A-3 ALSO. THANK YOU VERY MUCH
- 8 FOR YOUR TIME.

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- 10 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP LINDA
- 11 THOMPSON. LINDA THOMPSON? LINDA SIGNED UP TWICE. TWO
- 12 THOMPSONS. SAM HAS ALREADY SPOKEN. LET ME CALL UP DAVID GREEN.
- 13 DAVID GREEN. RAMONA ESPINOSA. RAMONA ESPINOSA. ONE SECOND.
- 14 OKAY. MARY ELLEN STROTE? SHE ALREADY SPOKE? AND DAVID BROWN.
- 15 DAVID BROWN? YES, SIR. YOU'RE ON. OKAY.

- 17 DAVID KRAFT: MY NAME IS DAVID KRAFT. I'M PRESIDENT OF
- 18 BELVEDERE PARK YOUTH FISHING CLUB. THIS IS A PICTURE OF OUR
- 19 LAKE. IT WAS A HOLE BEFORE MOLINA, GLORIA MOLINA GOT IT. IT
- 20 WAS A HOLE. AND I HAVE AN 11-YEAR-OLD BOY CATCHING ALL THE
- 21 DEAD FISH. FISH AND GAME WILL COME AND FILL IT UP AND THE NEXT
- 22 DAY THEY WERE DEAD. SO I HAD A LITTLE KID HERE 11 YEARS OLD,
- 23 RACKING UP ALL THESE DEAD FISH AND IT STUNK THE WHOLE LAKE AND
- 24 IT WAS LIKE THAT FOR A LONG TIME. I TOOK A COUPLE OF PICTURES,
- 25 I TOOK IT GLORIA, MY SUPERVISOR GLORIA MOLINA'S OFFICE AND



- 1 IMMEDIATELY SHE CLOSED IT DOWN BECAUSE THAT'S A FOOD SOURCE
- 2 FOR OUR COMMUNITY. AND ANYBODY COULD COME AND FISH. IT USED TO
- 3 BE FULL OF OIL. IT WAS A CATCH BASEMENT FROM THE OIL, FROM THE
- 4 STORMS. GLORIA TOOK OVER AND SHE CLEANED IT UP. SHE CLEANED IT
- 5 ALL UP. AND HERE'S WHAT SHE REDEDICATED THE LAKE TO EAST LOS
- 6 ANGELES.

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- 8 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU MR. KRAFT. THANK YOU VERY
- 9 MUCH. [APPLAUSE.] ONCE AGAIN, I'M GOING TO ASK YOU TO LEAVE IF
- 10 YOU APPLAUD. USE YOUR HANDS TO WAVE. BUT YOU'RE TAKING UP A
- 11 LOT OF TIME. WE'RE GOING TO BE HERE TO ABOUT 9 O'CLOCK
- 12 TONIGHT. AND OUR PATIENCE IS GOING TO GET VERY THIN. JOAN KAY?
- 13 MARY ELLEN HAS ALREADY SPOKEN. MARTIN SEDA? MARTIN? AND KAREN
- 14 NAVARRETE? YES, MA'AM.

- 16 LINDA THOMPSON: I'M LINDA THOMPSON, DISTRICT 3. LAST TIME I
- 17 WAS HERE, YOU SHOWED THIS WONDERFUL CHART THAT SO CLEARLY
- 18 SHOWED THAT ALL THREE PLANS MET ALL THE CRITERIA IN THE VOTING
- 19 RIGHTS ACT. IN FACT, OUR DISTRICT LOOKED EVEN A LITTLE BIT,
- 20 THE PLAN AS A-3 IS NOW PROPOSED, LOOKS EVEN A LITTLE BETTER
- 21 THAN THE OTHERS. SO THE ONLY PLAN THAT NEEDS THE AMERICAN
- 22 STANDARD OF E PLURIBUS UNUM AND THAT'S RIGHT HERE ON OUR
- 23 DOLLAR IN CASE ANYONE HASN'T LOOKED AT A DOLLAR RECENTLY
- 24 CLEARLY, IT WOULD CONTINUE, A-3 WOULD CONTINUE OUR COUNTY'S
- 25 BEAUTIFUL TRADITION OF REPRESENTING EVERYONE WITHOUT BIAS WITH



- 1 THE EXTRA BONUS OF PRESERVING OUR NATURAL RESOURCES FOR FUTURE
- 2 GENERATIONS. SO FOR THE RECORD, I OPPOSE PLANS T-1 AND S-2 AND
- 3 PLEASE, I PLEAD WITH YOU EXERCISE YOUR LEADERSHIP TO SUPPORT
- 4 PLAN A-3.

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- 6 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. LET ME ALSO CALL
- 7 UP PAULA YANEZ? AND KAREN -- WE HAVE KAREN HERE. GAIL
- 8 MCDONALD? GAIL MCDONALD? OKAY. YES, MA'AM. YOU'RE ON.

- 10 DIANNE PORCHIA: OH, SORRY. MY NAME IS DIANNE PORCHIA, MY NAME
- 11 WASN'T CALLED BUT I'M HERE TO READ SOMETHING BY DAVID GREEN
- 12 THAT HAD TO LEAVE. HE'S A TOPANGA RESIDENT LIKE MYSELF. THIS
- 13 IS FROM MR. GREEN. "I SYMPATHIZE WITH THE LATINO CAUSES AND
- 14 FEEL THAT THEIR CONTRIBUTION AND ASSIMILATION INTO LOS ANGELES
- 15 CULTURE IS IMPORTANT. BUT THAT DOES NOT MEAN THAT SEPARATE
- 16 ZONES SHOULD BE CREATED BY ETHNICITY. I ALSO BELIEVE THAT ZEV
- 17 YAROSLAVSKY CAREFULLY CONSIDERS FACTS AND RAMIFICATIONS BEFORE
- 18 ENDORSING OUR ISSUES. THEREFORE I SUPPORT THE REVISED A-3 PLAN
- 19 AS INTRODUCED BY SUPERVISOR KNABE. MAY I ALSO READ MY
- 20 STATEMENTS SINCE I'M UP HERE? YES? NO? YEAH. OKAY, THANK YOU.
- 21 SO MY NAME IS DIANNE PORCHIA. I AM A SECOND GENERATION
- 22 RESIDENT IN DISTRICT 3. I'M A SMALL BUSINESS OWNER AND CURRENT
- 23 RESIDENT OF TOPANGA CANYON. I'M HERE TO OPPOSE T-1 AND S-2 AND
- 24 IN SUPPORT OF A-3. AS PART OF THE NATIONAL MOVEMENT TO LEAVE
- 25 NO CHILD INDOORS, I'M A MEMBER OF THE CHILDREN IN NATURES



- 1 NETWORK. I WORK WITH NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS BRINGING CHILDREN
- 2 OF AT-RISK FAMILIES TO OUR CITY TO OUR MOUNTAIN COMMUNITY
- 3 TREASURE, THE TOPANGA STATE PARK. THE ISSUES OF OUR SANTA
- 4 MONICA MOUNTAIN RANGE IN DISTRICT 3 ARE COMPLETELY DIFFERENT
- 5 ISSUES THAT CONCERN THE SOUTH BAY CITIES OF LONG BEACH. OUR
- 6 CURRENT SUPERVISOR ZEV YAROSLAVSKY FOR WHOM WE VOTED
- 7 UNDERSTANDS OUR UNIQUE RURAL WILDERNESS, MOUNTAIN GEOGRAPHY,
- 8 ITS HIGH-RISK EMERGENCY SAFETY NEEDS AND WILDERNESS
- 9 PRESERVATION NEEDS. I PLEAD YOU TO NOT SPLIT UP AND FRAGMENT
- 10 THE HUGE STRIDES WE'VE MADE IN CREATING AND MAINTAINING OUR
- 11 CURRENT COMMUNITY COHESIVE SUPPORT OF RESOURCES. THANK YOU.

- 13 DAVID BROWN: YES, THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR. DAVID BROWN. SUPPORT
- 14 A-3 AS AMENDED. I WOULD BE ONE OF THE 3-1/2 MILLION WHO WOULD
- 15 BE RELOCATED TO A NEW SUPERVISOR. I THINK THIS IS VERY
- 16 DESTRUCTIVE IN GENERAL BECAUSE WE WANT, AS A TEACHER FOR 40
- 17 YEARS. WE WANT OUR STUDENTS TO BOND WITH THEIR ELECTED
- 18 OFFICIALS, TO UNDERSTAND THEM, TO KNOW WHO THEY ARE. FREQUENT
- 19 CHANGES OF REPRESENTATION FRACTURES PUBLIC CONTACT WITH
- 20 GOVERNMENT. TO ME IT'S A CIVIL RIGHTS ISSUE. T-1 IS A CIVIL
- 21 RIGHTS ISSUE. I WOULD BE DENIED THE RIGHT TO VOTE IN EFFECT
- 22 FOR A SUPERVISOR OF MY CHOICE. MY SUPERVISOR WOULD BE MOVED
- 23 30, 40 MILES AWAY WITHOUT MY CONSENT, WITHOUT MY VOTE, WITHOUT
- 24 MY APPROVAL. THAT DOESN'T MEAN I'M NOT IN SYMPATHY WITH WHAT



- 1 T-1 AND S-2 ARE TRYING TO ACCOMPLISH. BUT TO ME THAT'S THE
- 2 WRONG WAY TO DO IT. YEAH.

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- 4 GAIL MCDONALD: HONORABLE SUPERVISORS, I'M GAIL MCDONALD. I'M
- 5 HERE ON BEHALF OF THE TOPANGA WATERSHED COMMITTEE BOARD.
- 6 PLEASE HEAR US AND OPPOSE T-1 AND S-2 AND SUPPORT A-3 AMENDED.
- 7 KEEP INTACT THE CITIES OF COMMON INTEREST ON OUR CRITICALLY
- 8 DELICATE WATERSHED THAT IS AT RISK IF THE DECADES OF
- 9 COOPERATION DON'T REMAIN CONSTANT. I URGE YOUR SUPPORT OF THE
- $10 \quad A-3 \quad PLAN.$

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- 12 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. AND THE LET ME ALSO CALL UP
- 13 TUI, GUADALUPE TIU. AND WENDY FORESTER. WENDY FORESTER. AND
- 14 JILL BANKS BARAD? AND STEVE MARTINEZ? STEVE MARTINEZ? YES,
- 15 MA'AM. GO ON.

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- 17 KAREN NAVARRETE: GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS KAREN NAVARRETE. I
- 18 WORK AT ST. JOSEPH'S CENTER IN VENICE PROVIDING COMMUNITY
- 19 SERVICES TO THE MOST AT-RISK POPULATION. I URGE YOU TO SEEK AN
- 20 ALTERNATIVE THAT DOES NOT DISRUPT THE SERVICES THAT WE PROVIDE
- 21 TO THE MOST AT-RISK POPULATION. THANK YOU.

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23 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. YES, MA'AM.



- 1 PAULA YANEZ: HELLO. GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS PAULA YANEZ.
- 2 AND I WORK AT LA CAUSA, A YOUTH-BUILT CHARTER SCHOOL OF
- 3 CALIFORNIA. IT'S A SCHOOL FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS IN EAST LOS
- 4 ANGELES. AND I AM HERE IN SUPPORT OF GLORIA MOLINA AND HER
- 5 PLAN T-1. AND ALSO THAT I OPPOSE A-3 FOR THE REASON THAT WE
- 6 NEED TO UPHOLD THE U.S. CONSTITUTION AND FOLLOW THE VOTERS'
- 7 RIGHTS ACT. THIS INFORMATION IS BASED ON THE CENSUS, SO IT'S
- 8 NOW TIME TO ADD ANOTHER PERSON TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
- 9 BASED ON THE DATA FROM THE CENSUS THAT WAS COLLECTED LAST
- 10 YEAR. IT'S TIME FOR ANOTHER PERSON ON THE BOARD. AND I KNOW
- 11 THAT A LOT OF PEOPLE HAVE BEEN TALKING ABOUT COMMUNITY
- 12 INTERESTS. BUT IT'S IN THE BEST INTEREST OF THE COMMUNITY AND
- 13 THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES TO IMPLEMENT PLAN T-1 FOR
- 14 REDISTRICTING AND ALSO IT WOULD BE A WAY TO BRING COMMUNITIES
- 15 TOGETHER, TO BRING PEOPLE TOGETHER. IT'S TIME FOR CHANGE. AND
- 16 IT'S TIME FOR US TO MOVE FORWARD ABOUT IN THAT DIRECTION.

- 18 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.] STEVE? PEOPLE,
- 19 STEVE? I'M GOING TO HAVE THE SERGEANT REMOVE PEOPLE WHO ARE
- 20 APPLAUDING BECAUSE THE TIME IS LONG. AND THE AMOUNT OF
- 21 PATIENCE WE HAVE IS SHORT. I WANT THOSE EVICTED WHO ARE GOING
- 22 TO BE APPLAUDING. IF THEY WANT TO DO THEIR HANDS, THAT'S FINE.
- 23 OKAY. BARBARA BLOOM. EXCUSE ME ONE MOMENT. BARBARA BLOOM.
- 24 CLARE BROWN. RABYN BLAKE. BONNIE ROTH. MICHELLE JOHNSON. ALLYN



- 1 RIFKIA. ROSALIO MUNOZ. ROBERT TORRES. CARLOS BAWON? TOMAS
- 2 BENITEZ. SCOTT PICKER. OKAY. YES, MA'AM.

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- 4 WENDY FORESTER: GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS WENDY FORESTER. I'M
- 5 HERE IN SUPPORT OF A-3 AMENDED. I'M A 25-YEAR RESIDENT OF THE
- 6 SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS AND A MEMBER OF THE SANTA MONICA
- 7 MOUNTAINS RED CROSS TEAM, ONE OF HUNDREDS OF VOLUNTEER
- 8 CITIZENS TRAINED AND COORDINATED TO RESPOND TO DISASTERS. WE
- 9 CANNOT RISK NATURAL RESOURCES, FUNDS OR LIVES WITH T-1 OR S-2
- 10 PLANS. THE BEST INTERESTS AND SAFETY OF OUR COMMUNITY RELIES
- 11 ON QUICK, WELL-COORDINATED RESPONSE TO DISASTERS. A-3 ASSURES
- 12 CONTINUITY AND EFFECTIVENESS OF EMERGENCY SERVICES. I URGE YOU
- 13 TO VOTE FOR A-3.

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15 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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17 WENDY FORESTER: THANK YOU.

- 19 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: EXCUSE ME. DR. NANCY TODER? NANCY
- 20 TODER? BETH BURNAM? BETH? DAN HOFFMAN? DAN HOFFMAN? HE ALREADY
- 21 SPOKE. ALL RIGHT. EILEEN HUFF? EILEEN HUFF? REBECCA BARKIN?
- 22 REBECCA BARKIN? LUIS LOZANO? LUIS LOZANO? VANESSA TUI'ONE?
- 23 TUI'ONE? OR TUI'ONE? CONNIE CHUNG JOE? CONNIE CHUNG JOE. MARK?
- 24 MARK HAS ALREADY SPOKEN. SOME OF THESE PEOPLE SIGNED UP THREE
- 25 TIMES. AUDREY ALO? AUDREY? JESS THOMAS? JESS THOMAS?



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2 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: HE ALREADY SPOKE.

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- 4 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: HE ALREADY SPOKE. DOROTHY REIK. SHE'S
- 5 ALREADY SPOKEN. JESS THOMAS? I THINK HE SPOKE, TOO. KIM
- 6 LAMORI? OKAY. YES, MA'AM.

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- 8 MICHELLE JOHNSON: HELLO. I'M MICHELLE JOHNSON. I'M CHAIR OF
- 9 THE CANYON SAGES, A SENIOR ORGANIZATION IN TOPANGA. AND I
- 10 SUPPORT A-3. TOPANGA IS AN UNINCORPORATED AREA THAT DEPENDS
- 11 COMPLETELY ON OUR RELATIONSHIP WITH THE COUNTY FOR ALL OF OUR
- 12 SERVICES AND IT'S TAKEN DECADES FOR US TO BUILD OUR CONNECTION
- 13 WITH THE COUNTY AND ESPECIALLY NOW WITH SUPERVISOR
- 14 YAROSLAVSKY, WE HAVE THE STRONGEST SUPPORT EVER. TOPANGA
- 15 SENIORS NEED THESE STRONG TIES TO DEVELOP PROGRAMS WITH OUR
- 16 NATIONAL NEIGHBORS -- OUR NATURAL NEIGHBORS, THE WEST VALLEY
- 17 AND THE WEST SIDE. I FIRMLY BELIEVE THAT WE CAN SUPPORT
- 18 DIVERSITY AND LATINO RIGHTS WITHOUT DISRUPTING OUR NATURALLY
- 19 OCCURRING COMMUNITIES. I WOULDN'T BE HERE IF I DIDN'T. THANK
- 20 YOU.

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22 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: YES, SIR.

- 24 CARLOS BAWON: GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS CARLOS BAWON AND I'VE
- 25 BEEN A RESIDENT OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY FOR MY ENTIRE LIFE. I'M



- 1 A RETIRED EDUCATOR OF 35 YEARS AND PRESENTLY SERVING LOS
- 2 ANGELES COUNTY NATURAL HISTORY MUSEUM AS GOVERNOR AND TRUSTEE
- 3 FOR THE FIRST DISTRICT. I'M HERE TO GAIN YOUR SUPPORT FOR
- 4 PROPOSAL TO CREATE A SECOND LATINO SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT AND
- 5 TO UPHOLD AND REAFFIRM THE LONG FOUGHT AND EARNED PROVISIONS
- 6 OF THE CIVIL RIGHTS ACT OF 1964. I SAT ON THE L.A. COUNTY ARTS
- 7 COMMISSION FOR OVER 15 YEARS AND PRESIDED AS THE FIRST MEXICAN
- 8 AMERICAN PRESIDENT OF THE COMMISSION FOR TWO OCCASIONS. I
- 9 CONTINUE TO SERVE AS A MEMBER OF THE CIVIC ARTS COMMITTEE AND
- 10 AS ADVISORY BOARD MEMBER TO THE -- COMMUNITY BRIDGES PROGRAM,
- 11 A PROGRAM DESIGNED TO DEVELOP AUDIENCES AND PROGRAMMING FOR
- 12 THE LATINO AND ASIAN COMMUNITIES OF THE COUNTY. THE ARTS IS AN
- 13 AESTHETIC OF A CIVIL SOCIETY, YET IT MUST REFLECT THE SOCIETY
- 14 THAT RESLIDES THEREIN. I'M TALKING ABOUT THE IMPORTANCE OF
- 15 MAKING ARTS ACCESSIBLE AND COGENT TO ALL RESIDENTS OF THE
- 16 COUNTY, NOT IN SPITE OF THE DIFFERENCES BUT BECAUSE OF THE
- 17 DIFFERENCES, THE DIVERSITY OF OUR HUMAN AESTHETIC. I DO
- 18 BELIEVE THAT LATINOS ADVOCATE FOR LATINOS. AND WITH THEM --

20 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU.

22 CARLOS BAWON: THAT'S IT?

24 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THAT'S IT, YES SIR.

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1 CARLOS BAWON: WOW.

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- 3 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: I KNOW. ELIZABETH STEPHENS? OR
- 4 STEPHENS? ELIZABETH? KIM LAMORIE?

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6 KIM LAMORIE: I'M HERE.

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- 8 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: OKAY KIM. YOU HAD A DOUBLE IN THERE,
- 9 TOO. HOLD ONE SECOND. ROSS HASHEMI? ROSS HASHEMI? OKAY. YES,
- 10 MA'AM. OKAY.

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- 12 BETH BURNAM: GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS BETH
- 13 BURNAM. I SUPPORT PLAN A-3 AS AMENDED AND OPPOSE PLANS T-1 AND
- 14 S-2. AS CORRESPONDENT OF THE NORTH TOPANGA CANYON FIRE SAFE
- 15 COUNCIL, I WORK IN COLLABORATION WITH THE THIRD DISTRICT
- 16 SUPERVISOR'S STAFF AND THEY ARE CRITICALLY IMPORTANT TO THE
- 17 EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS OF OUR MOUNTAIN COMMUNITIES, A
- 18 COMMUNITY OF INTEREST. AS A RESIDENT OF UNINCORPORATED LOS
- 19 ANGELES, OUR SUPERVISOR AND HIS STAFF ARE OUR ONLY LOCAL
- 20 GOVERNMENT. IT IS CRITICAL THAT WE ARE REPRESENTED BY A
- 21 DISTRICT SUPERVISOR WHO CAN UNDERSTAND OUR UNIQUE NEEDS. AS AN
- 22 INDIVIDUAL, I ALWAYS VOTE FOR THE MOST QUALIFIED CANDIDATE
- 23 REGARDLESS OF ETHNICITY OR GENDER AND EXPECT THEM TO REPRESENT
- 24 ME REGARDLESS OF THEIR ETHNICITY OR GENDER. THANK YOU.



- 1 KIM LAMORIE: HONORABLE SUPERVISORS, MY NAME'S KIM LAMORIE AND
- 2 I'M PRESIDENT OF LAS VIRGINES HOMEOWNERS' FEDERATION, IN OUR
- 3 44TH YEAR AS THE UNWAVERING VOICE OF THE THE SANTA MONICA
- 4 MOUNTAINS. OUR 9000-PLUS HOMEOWNERS, 15,000 ACTIVE VOTERS SAY
- 5 AGAIN WE ARE OPPOSED TODAY T-1 AND S-2. THEY THREATEN OUR
- 6 MOUNTAIN ENVIRONMENTAL COMMUNITIES OF INTEREST THAT STRETCH
- 7 FROM GRIFFITH PARK TO THE CANEJO VALLEY. EVERYTHING THAT WE
- 8 HAVE WORKED FOR, PRESERVED AND PROTECTED IN THE LAST 20 YEARS.
- 9 THE MOUNTAINS ARE NOT A PRIZE THAT CAN JUST BE CHOPPED UP OR
- 10 SLICED OUT OF OUR THIRD DISTRICT HOME AS A PART OF THE
- 11 GERRYMANDERED POLITICAL PLOY THAT IS T-1 AND S-2. WHY SHOULD
- 12 3-1/2 MILLION VOTERS HAVE TO BE UNNECESSARILY DISENFRANCHISED
- 13 WHEN THERE IS A VOTING RIGHTS COMPLIANT A-3 PLAN THAT WREAKS
- 14 NONE OF THAT HAVOC. WE'RE COMMITTED TO CONSERVING THE WILD
- 15 LAND AND WONDERFUL THINGS IN THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS FOR
- 16 EVERYONE TODAY AND FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS. THIS MEANS
- 17 UNEQUIVOCALLY KEEPING SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS WITHIN THE
- 18 EXISTING THIRD DISTRICT BOUNDARIES. THIS MEANS ADOPTING A-3
- 19 AMENDED. THANK YOU.

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21 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. YES, MA'AM.

- 23 CONNIE CHUNG JOE: GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS CONNIE CHUNG JOE
- 24 AND I'M THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE KOREAN-AMERICAN FAMILY
- 25 SERVICE CENTER AND VICE PRESIDENT OF PLANNING OF APCON AND I'M



- 1 HERE TO SUPPORT THE A-3 PLAN. K.F.S.C. HAS BEEN SERVING AS A
- 2 FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER FOR KOREAN IMMIGRANTS IN ALL OF L.A.
- 3 COUNTY FOR 28 YEARS. I'D LIKE TO START OFF BY THANKING ALL THE
- 4 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR THEIR DILIGENT WORK AND EFFORTS TO
- 5 SERVE THIS COUNTY REGARDLESS OF WHICH PLAN THEY SUPPORT, EACH
- 6 AND EVERY SUPERVISOR HAS TRUE PASSION AND COMMITMENT TO
- 7 SERVING THIS WONDERFUL AND DIVERSE COUNTY OF OURS. IN
- 8 PARTICULAR, I NEED TO THANK MY DISTRICT SUPERVISOR, MARK
- 9 RIDLEY-THOMAS, FOR HIS GREAT SUPPORT TO THE KOREAN AMERICAN
- 10 FAMILY SERVICE CENTER AND OUR KOREAN AMERICAN COMMUNITY. I
- 11 WANT TO EXPRESS K.F.S.C. SUPPORT FOR THE A-3 PLAN WHICH
- 12 CLOSELY MAINTAINS THE CURRENT DISTRICTS AND RESPECTS THE
- 13 RELATIONSHIPS THAT A.P.I. COMMUNITIES HAVE ESTABLISHED. FOR
- 14 EXAMPLE, KOREANS IN THE WEST SAN FERNANDO VALLEY, WHERE 25
- 15 PERCENT OF MY COUNSELING CLIENTS RESIDE, WILL BE DISBURSED BY
- 16 THE ALTERNATE S-2 AND T-1 PLANS.

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- 18 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU, MISS JOE, I'M SORRY. LET ME
- 19 ALSO CALL UP JESSICA RAMIREZ, DANIEL ALVAREZ. ESTELA DUENAS.
- 20 EFREN MARTINEZ? I BELIEVE GABY ALREADY HAS SPOKEN, LEYBA. I
- 21 BELIEVE SHE'S ALREADY SPOKEN. IRIS GUTIERREZ? AND ARTURO IXTA?
- 22 OKAY, YES SIR. YOU'RE ON.

- 24 ELISABETH STEPHENS: HONORABLE SUPERVISORS, MY NAME IS
- 25 ELIZABETH STEPHENS AND I HAVE BEEN A RESIDENT OF THE SANTA



- 1 MONICA MOUNTAINS FOR 25 YEARS. I STRONGLY OPPOSE T-1 AND S-2.
- 2 I FIND IT APPALLING THE ORCHESTRATION OF DISTRICT 1 AND 2
- 3 SPEAKERS AND YET A STATE SENATOR IS CUT OFF AT A MINUTE. I
- 4 RESENT THE VICTIMIZATION CARD BEING PLAYED, THE THREATS OF
- 5 LAWSUITS AND THE POLARIZATION OF RACE. THIS IS ABOUT SHARED
- 6 INTERESTS WITHIN COMMUNITIES. THE FACT IS: A-3 MEETS THE
- 7 VOTING RIGHTS ACT. WE WANT TO PROTECT OUR COG CITIES, OUR
- 8 MOUNTAINS, BEACHES, WATERSHEDS AND THE ENVIRONMENT FOR TODAY
- 9 AND FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS. WE ARE THE STEWARDS OF THIS LAND.
- 10 PLEASE VOTE THE ISSUES. SUPPORT A-3 AND PROTECT OUR VOTING
- 11 RIGHTS. THANK YOU.

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13 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. LUCY RAMOS. YES SIR.

- 15 ROSS HASHEMI: HONORABLE SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS ROSS HASHEMI
- 16 AND I'M PRESIDENT OF FOUNTAINWOOD HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION OF
- 17 ABOUT 2,000 PEOPLE IN AGORA HILLS. WE OPPOSE T-1 AND S-2 AND
- 18 SUPPORT A-3. T-1 WAS INTRODUCED IN THE VERY LAST MINUTES
- 19 BEFORE THE DEADLINE AFTER SIX MONTHS OF REDISTRICTING PROCESS?
- 20 WHAT WAS THE REAL REASON BEHIND THE LAST MINUTE DROP? IS IT
- 21 FAIR TO MOVE MILLIONS OF PEOPLE AROUND JUST FOR LEGACY OF ONE
- 22 SUPERVISOR? WITH THE CURRENT VALID CONCERN ABOUT THE CLIMATE
- 23 CHANGE, WHY ADD TO UNCERTAINTIES AND MAKE SUCH A BIG CHANGE
- 24 LIKE T-1 AND S-2? WHY DO WE WANT TO CHANGE WHAT'S WORKING SO
- 25 WELL? IS IT JUST FOR LEGACY OF ONE PERSON? THANK YOU.



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- 2 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU, SIR. SYLVIA NUNEZ. SYLVIA?
- 3 YES, MA'AM.

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- 5 SYLVIA NUNEZ: HI, MY NAME'S JESSICA RAMIREZ. HELLO BOARD AND
- 6 MR. MAYOR. I'M FROM TORRANCE, THE CITY OF TORRANCE, AND I'M IN
- 7 THE PROGRAM URBAN TEACHER FELLOWSHIP. AND I'D JUST LIKE TO SAY
- 8 THAT WITH THE SUPPORT OF A-3, THEY WERE ABLE TO KEEP MY
- 9 PROGRAM VERY DIVERSE AND IT'S EASY TO GET ALONG WITH MY FELLOW
- 10 STUDENTS. I BELIEVE THAT RACE SHOULD NOT DETERMINE THE
- 11 SELECTION OF PUBLIC OFFICIALS. AND WITHOUT DIVERSITY WE
- 12 WOULDN'T LEARN ABOUT OTHER CULTURES. AND ME MYSELF, I'M HALF
- 13 LATINA, SO IT'S GOOD TO SEE THAT I GET TO BE WITH OTHERS. SO
- 14 YES, THANK YOU.

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16 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU, MA'AM. YES, SIR.

- 18 DANIEL ALVAREZ: GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS DANIEL ALVAREZ, A
- 19 RESIDENT OF LONG BEACH AND HERE TO VOICE MY SUPPORT FOR PLAN
- 20 A-3. I VALUE THE DIVERSITY OF LONG BEACH AND THE DIVERSITY OF
- 21 DON KNABE'S PROPOSAL. AS MANY HAVE ALREADY MENTIONED, I, TOO,
- 22 BELIEVE THAT VALUES SUCH AS INTEGRITY, CHARACTER, DEDICATION
- 23 AND LEADERSHIP SKILLS TAKE PRECEDENT OVER ONE'S RACE. DON
- 24 KNABE HAS PARTNERED AND CREATED RELATIONSHIPS WITH DIVERSE
- 25 COMMUNITIES OF INTEREST AND THEY HAVE ALL WORKED TO IMPROVE



- 1 THE OUALITY OF LIFE INCLUDING THOSE OF LATINOS. FOR OVER 20
- 2 YEARS NOW, THESE COMMUNITIES HAVE CREATED A STRONG NETWORK TO
- 3 COLLABORATE ON A WIDE SPECTRUM OF ISSUES THAT ARE IMPORTANT TO
- 4 THEIR FAMILIES AND THEY HAVE MADE GREAT PROGRESS. LET'S
- 5 CONTINUE MOVING FORWARD WITH MINIMAL INTERRUPTION AND WORKING
- 6 IN A PARTNERSHIP THAT IS GROUNDED IN A DESIRE FOR A BETTER
- 7 FUTURE FOR EVERYONE. THANK YOU.

9 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. YES, MA'AM.

11 IRIS GUTIERREZ: HI GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS IRIS GUTIERREZ

- 12 AND I'M A RESIDENT OF TORRANCE AND I VALUE AND SUPPORT THE
- 13 DIVERSITY IN DON KNABE'S REDISTRICTING PROPOSAL A-3 AND
- 14 STRONGLY BELIEVE THAT A PERSON'S CHARACTER, SKILLS AND
- 15 COMMITMENT IS WHAT IS IMPORTANT, NOT THE COLOR OF THEIR SKIN.
- 16 I WOULD VOTE FOR A CANDIDATE THAT WANTS TO WORK WITH A DIVERSE
- 17 GROUP OF PEOPLE WHICH REPRESENTS MY COMMUNITY. DON KNABE HAS
- 18 BEEN WORKING WITH MANY DIFFERENT RACES TO HELP IMPROVE THE
- 19 OUALITY OF THE LIFE OF THE PEOPLE IN OUR NEIGHBORHOODS. TO
- 20 TAKE -- I'M SORRY. TO MAKE THE CONVERSATION ABOUT RACE AT THE
- 21 EXPENSE OF EVERY OTHER IMPORTANT CONSIDERATION SUCH AS
- 22 CHARACTER, COMMITMENT AND EXPERIENCE, RELATIONSHIPS IS
- 23 FUNDAMENTALLY WRONG AND DOES NOT SERVE US, THE CITIZENS OF
- 24 L.A. COUNTY. THANK YOU.

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1 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. YES, MA'AM.

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- 3 GABRIELLA LEYVA: HI, MY NAME IS GABRIELLA LEYVA AND I AM A
- 4 PROUD LATINA. I AM HERE REPRESENTING SOUTH BAY CENTER FOR
- 5 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND THE COMMUNITIES OF WILMINGTON AND
- 6 LONG BEACH. I SUPPORT PLAN A. THE OTHER TWO PLANS, T-1 AND S-
- 7 2, ARE RADICALLY DIFFERENT AND HUGELY DISRUPTIVE. OVER 3
- 8 MILLION PEOPLE WOULD BE ASSIGNED TO NEW SUPERVISOR DISTRICTS,
- 9 DESTROYING RELATIONSHIPS BUILT OVER DECADES. MILLIONS OF
- 10 PEOPLE WOULD WIND UP BEING REPRESENTED BY A SUPERVISOR THEY
- 11 NEVER HAD THE CHANCE TO VOTE FOR. DIVERSITY MATTERS MORE THAN
- 12 RACE. AND I VALUE THE DIVERSITY OF DON KNABE'S PROPOSAL. DON
- 13 KNABE HAS PARTNERED WITH A DIVERSITY GROUP OF PEOPLE TO
- 14 IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF LIFE IN THEIR NEIGHBORHOODS. I URGE YOU
- 15 TO VOTE FOR PLAN A-3.

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17 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. YES SIR.

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- 19 AURTURO IXTA: MY NAME IS AURTURO IXTA, I'M A RESIDENT OF
- 20 WILMINGTON. AND I SUPPORT A-3. THE OTHER T-1 AND S-2 PLANS
- 21 WILL AFFECT WILMINGTON GREATLY. THEY'RE GOING TO -- THEY WILL
- 22 BE SEPARATED FROM THE NEIGHBORING CITIES THAT ARE AROUND US
- 23 THAT WE HAVE BUILT OUR RELATIONSHIPS WITH. AND I SUPPORT DON
- 24 KNABE. THANK YOU.



- 1 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. MATTHEW NAVARETTE? JOHN
- 2 GUZMAN? BENJAMIN MARTINEZ, JR., MARTHA DINA ARGUELLES? OKAY,
- 3 YES, MA'AM. YES.

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- 5 LUCY RAMOS: GOOD AFTERNOON HONORABLE SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS
- 6 LUCY RAMOS. I AM PRESIDENT OF MOTHERS OF EAST LOS ANGELES. FOR
- 7 YEARS I HAVE BEEN FIGHTING FOR THE LATINO COMMUNITY CAN HAVE A
- 8 VOICE AND SO THAT WE CAN HAVE A FAIR OPPORTUNITY. THIS IS WHAT
- 9 BROUGHT ME HERE TODAY. WHEN I FIRST GOT INVOLVED WITH MY
- 10 COMMUNITY, LATINOS HAD VERY LITTLE REPRESENTATION. OUR
- 11 COMMUNITY AND EAST L.A. HAS HAD UNWANTED PROJECTS THROWN AT
- 12 US, LIKE A PRISON. AND IT WAS UP TO THE RESIDENTS TO STAND UP
- 13 FOR OURSELVES AND FOR OUR CHILDREN. IT WASN'T UNTIL GLORIA
- 14 MOLINA CAME ALONG THAT WE HAD A VOICE TO HELP US IN OUR
- 15 STRUGGLE AGAINST THESE UNWANTED PROJECTS. I HAVE SEEN WHAT A
- 16 BIG DIFFERENCE IT HAS HAD TO IMPROVE OUR REPRESENTATION IN OUR
- 17 COMMUNITY. A-3 MAP LIMITS THE PROPER REPRESENTATION OF LATINO
- 18 COMMUNITY IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. IT KEEPS UP THE STATUS OUO. I
- 19 HAVE SPENT MANY YEARS FIGHTING FOR THE STATUS QUO.

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21 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU, MA'AM. YES, SIR.

- 23 BENJAMIN MARTINEZ: GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF LOS
- 24 ANGELES. I AM BENJAMIN MARTINEZ, JR. A RESIDENT OF LOS NIETOS
- 25 COMMUNITY IN SUPERVISOR MOLINA'S DISTRICT 1. I'M HERE TO



- 1 SUPPORT SUPERVISOR GLORIA MOLINA AND SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-
- 2 THOMAS'S PLAN FOR REDISTRICTING PLANS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY.
- 3 IT WOULD BE FOOLISH FOR ME TO SUPPORT ONLY ONE PLAN. I HAVE TO
- 4 BE REALISTIC ABOUT THE CHANGE IN POPULATION OF LOS ANGELES
- 5 COUNTY OF 10 MILLION PEOPLE. THAT BEING SAID, I'M HERE THE
- 6 SUPPORT SUPERVISOR MOLINA'S PLAN FOR REDISTRICTING DUE TO THE
- 7 RESULTS OF THE CENSUS OF 2010. SUPERVISOR MOLINA HAS DONE A
- 8 LOT OF GOOD FOR OUR DISTRICT, ONE. AND WE APPRECIATE HER
- 9 EFFORTS ON OUR BEHALF. I HAVE SEEN THE CHANGES OF THE
- 10 POPULATION IN LOS ANGELES CITY, LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND IN THE
- 11 STATE OF CALIFORNIA. THE NEW MAPS FOLLOW THE LETTER OF THE
- 12 LAW.

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- 14 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU, SIR.
- 16 BENJAMIN MARTINEZ: GARZA VERSUS LOS ANGELES COUNTY.
- 18 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. YES, SIR.
- 20 MATTHEW NAVARETTE: MY NAME IS MATTHEW NAVARETTE, I'M A
- 21 RESIDENT OF SAN PEDRO. I REPRESENT AND SUPPORT 3-A AND DON
- 22 KNABE. 3-A IS THE BEST DECISION BECAUSE IT WILL NOT SPLIT UP
- 23 COMMUNITIES WHICH HAVE WORKED TOGETHER FOR OVER 20 YEARS. RACE
- 24 SHOULD NOT MATTER INFLUENCING VOTERS. VOTERS SHOULD LOOK AT A
- 25 CANDIDATE'S CHARACTER AND COMMITMENT TO THE PEOPLE. THAT IS



- 1 WHY I SUPPORT DON KNABE. NOT BECAUSE OF HIS SKIN COLOR BUT
- 2 BECAUSE OF HIS GREAT CHARACTER, HIS COMMITMENT TO THE PEOPLE
- 3 AND TO GET THE JOB DONE, WHICH IS MOST IMPORTANT. GOD BLESS
- 4 AMERICA.

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- 6 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. YES, SIR. CYNDEE RIDING?
- 7 CYNDEE RIDING? YES, SIR. OR YES, MA'AM.

- 9 MARTHA DINA ARGUELLES: GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS MARTHA DINA
- 10 ARGUELLES. I CURRENTLY SERVE AS THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF
- 11 PHYSICIANS FOR SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY IN LOS ANGELES. BUT WHAT
- 12 PROMPTED ME TO TAKE THE DAY OFF TODAY IS THAT I'M A RESIDENT
- 13 OF LOS ANGELES SINCE 1963, WHEN MY FAMILY FIRST CAME HERE. AND
- 14 WE LIVED IN PICO-UNION. WE'VE LIVED IN WEST HOLLYWOOD. WE
- 15 LIVED IN EAST HOLLYWOOD. WE'VE LIVED IN SOUTHEAST L.A. AND
- 16 JUST BELOW GRIFFITH PARK. THESE ARE COMMUNITIES OF INTEREST.
- 17 THEY SHARE A COMMON HISTORY. AND I REMEMBER WHEN MY FAMILY
- 18 FIRST CAME HERE DRIVING TO EAST L.A. TO BUY FOOD BECAUSE AS
- 19 YET PICO UNION WAS NOT A LATINO COMMUNITY. I'M HERE TO SUPPORT
- 20 T-1 AND S-2 MAPS BECAUSE THESE RESIDENTS, WHETHER ITS
- 21 SOUTHEAST LOS ANGELES OR PICO-UNION, WE UNDERSTAND THE TOLL
- 22 ENVIRONMENTAL CONTAMINATION TAKES ON OUR COMMUNITIES AND OUR
- 23 HEALTH. WHO BEST TO COME TOGETHER TO SOLVE THOSE PROBLEMS AND
- 24 REVITALIZE OUR COMMUNITIES THAN THOSE COMMUNITIES THAT SHARE
- 25 BEING CRISSCROSSED BY FREEWAYS, MANUFACTURING, THE THINGS THAT



- 1 DON'T EXIST IN THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS. WHO BEST TO COME
- 2 TOGETHER TO MAKE SURE THAT OUR COMMUNITIES ARE AS PRISTINE AS
- 3 THOSE IN THE SOUTH?

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5 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. YES, SIR.

- 7 BILL GALLEGOS: I'M BILL GALLEGOS AND I'M THE EXECUTIVE
- 8 DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITIES FOR A BETTER ENVIRONMENT. AND I'M HERE
- 9 TODAY TO VOICE MY OPPOSITION TO THE A-3 MAP WHICH WOULD DILUTE
- 10 THE LATINO VOTES AND VIOLATE THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT. I WISH TO
- 11 VOICE MY SUPPORT FOR THE T-1 AND S-2 MAPS WHICH WOULD CREATE
- 12 TWO LATINO OPPORTUNITY DISTRICTS IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. OUR
- 13 ORGANIZATION WORKS EXTENSIVELY IN SOUTHEAST L.A. TO EDUCATE
- 14 COMMUNITY LEADERS AND RESIDENTS ABOUT THE CONNECTIONS BETWEEN
- 15 ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH AND JUSTICE AND THE NEEDS OF OUR URBAN
- 16 NEIGHBORHOODS. AND WHAT I FOUND IS THIS: WHEN LEADERS COME
- 17 FROM THE COMMUNITY, THERE IS A MUCH BETTER CHANCE TO
- 18 UNDERSTAND THE COMMUNITY AND DELIVER CHANGE THAT THAT
- 19 COMMUNITY NEEDS. ALL THE TALK I'VE HEARD SO FAR ABOUT
- 20 ENVIRONMENTALISM HAS BEEN FROM THE PERSPECTIVE OF OPEN SPACE
- 21 ADVOCATES, AND THAT PERSPECTIVE IS IMPORTANT. BUT TRUST ME
- 22 WHEN I SAY THAT IN ENVIRONMENTAL CIRCLES AND AMONG ELECTED
- 23 OFFICIALS WHO CONSIDER THEMSELVES STRONG ENVIRONMENTALISTS, WE
- 24 NEED DECISION MAKERS TO ALSO TAKE STANDS ON AIR QUALITY
- 25 ISSUES, LAND USE, PLANNING, TRANSPORTATION, AND GREEN ECONOMY



- 1 ISSUES. THESE ARE THE AREAS OF STRONG CONCERN FOR LATINOS IN
- 2 THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY, SAN GABRIEL AND SOUTHEAST L.A.
- 3 COUNTY. AND THEY ARE THE ISSUES WHICH WILL ULTIMATELY BENEFIT
- 4 ALL WHO LIVE IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. WHAT WE NEED ARE
- 5 MORE LEADERS WHO UNDERSTAND THE URBAN PERSPECTIVE --

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- 7 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP YOLANDA
- 8 DUARTE. YOLANDA DUARTE. JOHN GUZMAN. AGAIN THESE ARE
- 9 DUPLICATES. MICHELLE ARCE. EDDIE CARVAIAL? JOSEPH BALTIZAR?
- 10 KENNETH WHEELAND? YES, MA'AM. GO AHEAD.

- 12 CYNDEE RIDING: GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS CYNDEE RIDING. I
- 13 SERVE ON THE ARLETA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE BOARD AND ALSO THE
- 14 ARLETA NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL. I'M THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF
- 15 FIVE CHILDCARE CENTERS IN THE NORTHEAST SAN FERNANDO VALLEY
- 16 DISTRICT 3. 98.5 PERCENT OF OUR POPULATION IS LATINO. I AND
- 17 THOSE I REPRESENT SUPPORT A-3. WE WANT TO KEEP THE VALLEY
- 18 CONNECTED AS IT HAS SHOWN TREMENDOUS ECONOMICAL REVIVAL AND
- 19 GROWTH IN CULTURAL DIVERSITY. ALSO WE WANT TO KEEP THE SANTA
- 20 MONICA MOUNTAINS TOGETHER. PLEASE DON'T BREAK THEM UP THROUGH
- 21 REDISTRICTING. THE VALLEY AND THE MOUNTAINS HAVE UNIQUE NEEDS
- 22 AND THREATS. WE NEED TO KEEP OUR RESOURCES INTACT SO
- 23 COMMUNITIES STAY PREPARED FOR THE DANGEROUS POSSIBILITIES THAT
- 24 WE ALL FACE IN THIS REGION. SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, YOU ARE
- 25 AWARE OF THESE ISSUES AND YOU HAVE REPRESENTED US SO WELL. WE



- 1 THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT FOR THE VERY YOUNG AND THE ELDERLY
- 2 AND ALL THE SOCIAL PROGRAMS AND THE COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS
- 3 THAT YOU HAVE HELPED TO CREATE. WE SUPPORT A-3 TO KEEP OUR
- 4 COMMUNITIES UNITED. THANK YOU.

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- 6 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. MARCIA DAVALOS? MARCIA? AND
- 7 JESSE TORRES? YES, MA'AM.

- 9 YOLANDA DUARTE: GOOD AFTERNOON, MAYOR AND SUPERVISORS. THANK
- 10 YOU. MY NAME IS YOLANDA DUARTE AND I'M HERE IN FAVOR OF S-2
- 11 AND T-1 OPPOSING A-3. I'M A RESIDENT AND SMALL BUSINESS OWNER
- 12 IN EAST L.A. AND I'M AN ADVOCATE FOR SMALL BUSINESS. I'D LIKE
- 13 TO TALK TO YOU ABOUT THE QUALITY OF LIFE BEFORE AND AFTER
- 14 BEING REPRESENTED BY A LATINO, BECAUSE I CAN. I'M A SENIOR
- 15 CITIZEN AND I REMEMBER. I REMEMBER WHEN CRIME WAS RAMPANT IN
- 16 EAST L.A. AND THE POLICE IGNORED IT. I REMEMBER WHEN NO ONE
- 17 CARED ABOUT OUR NEIGHBORHOOD. NO ONE CARED ABOUT OUR HOUSING.
- 18 NO ONE CARED ABOUT OUR BUSINESSES. YES, THERE ARE PLENTY OF
- 19 LIOUOR STORES AND THERE WERE NO RESTRICTIONS ON LICENSING. WE
- 20 WERE TARGETS FOR LAWLESSNESS AND AT RISK, AND FOR EVERYTHING
- 21 ASSOCIATED WITH ALCOHOL. NOW BECAUSE OF MY SUPERVISOR, WHO
- 22 DOES SHARE MY VALUES AND MY CONCERNS, OUR SHERIFFS SHARE OUR
- 23 GOALS, WE HAVE A SAFE COMMUNITY, CRIME IS DOWN, ENFORCEMENT
- 24 FOR BARS AND LIQUOR SALES ARE THERE. THERE ARE REPERCUSSIONS



- 1 FOR SHOPS THAT DON'T ACT RESPONSIBLY. WE HAVE STREET TREES. WE
- 2 HAVE FOUNTAINS AND YES WE HAVE THE GOLD LINE.

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- 4 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. LAURA BARRERA? LAURA
- 5 BARRERA? GILBERT BERRIOZOBAL? GLORIA CHAVEZ? VICKY CASTRO? DR.
- 6 TIMOTHY MARTINEZ?

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- 8 KENNETH WHEELAND: HI, MY NAME IS KEN WHEELAND, I LIVE IN THE
- 9 THIRD DISTRICT IN TOPANGA AND I'M IN FAVOR OF A-3. I'M OPPOSED
- 10 TO T-1 AND S-2 BECAUSE THEY'RE SO DISRUPTIVE. AND I THINK THAT
- 11 VOTING ON -- THE VOTING PROCESS IS THE RIGHT THING TO DO
- 12 INSTEAD OF GERRYMANDERING THE DISTRICTS. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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- 14 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU, SIR. DAVID KRAFT? FATHER
- 15 MORETTA? FATHER MORETTA? YOLANDA DUARTE? LOURDES CARACPOSA.
- 16 YES, MA'AM.

- 18 MICHELLE ARCE: HELLO. MY NAME IS MICHELLE ARCE. I'M A RESIDENT
- 19 OF UNINCORPORATED WEST WHITTIER. I'M HERE TO EXPRESS MY
- 20 OPPOSITION TO THE A-3 MAP. I'M ALSO HERE TO VOICE MY SUPPORT
- 21 FOR THE T-1 AND S-2 MAPS. ONLY THESE TWO MAPS ENSURE THE
- 22 VOTING POWER OF THE LATINOS IS NOT DILUTED AND GIVE THE HIGH
- 23 PREVALENCE OF LATINO FAMILIES IN MY NEIGHBORHOOD, THIS IS
- 24 ESPECIALLY IMPORTANT TO ME. I HAVE DEDICATED MANY YEARS TO
- 25 FOCUSING ON THE NEEDS OF SENIORS IN THE UNINCORPORATED WEST



- 1 WHITTIER. I HAVE LEARNED THAT ELECTED OFFICIALS RESPOND BEST
- 2 TO WHEN THEY TRULY, TRULY UNDERSTAND THE COMMUNITY'S NEEDS.
- 3 OUR COMMUNITY WAS NEGLECTED FOR MANY YEARS. I DON'T THINK IT'S
- 4 ANY COINCIDENCE THAT THIS NEGLECT WENT HAND-IN-HAND WITH
- 5 DECADES OF DELIBERATE DILUTION OF THE LATINO VOTE. THAT IS NOT
- 6 A CLAIM OR MY OPINION. THAT IS A FACT THAT WAS PROVEN IN COURT
- 7 OF LAW IN 1990. EVERY SINGLE DAY COMMUNITIES LIKE
- 8 UNINCORPORATED WEST WHITTIER STILL LIVE WITH THE EFFECTS OF
- 9 VOTER DISENFRANCHISEMENT.

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11 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU.

13 DR. TIMOTHY MARTINEZ: MY NAME IS DR. TIMOTHY MARTINEZ I'M THE

- 14 ASSOCIATE DEAN AT WESTERN UNIVERSITY HEALTH SCIENCES COLLEGE
- 15 OF DENTAL MEDICINE IN POMONA. I HAVE BEEN A PRACTICING DENTIST
- 16 FOR OVER 25 YEARS, RAISED AND RESIDE IN THE SAN GABRIEL
- 17 VALLEY. I WANT TO EXPRESS MY FULL SUPPORT OF THE T-1 AND S-2
- 18 MAPS. WE MUST CREATE TWO LATINO OPPORTUNITY DISTRICTS SO THE
- 19 LATINOS CAN HAVE PROPER ADVOCACY, ESPECIALLY IN THE AREA OF
- 20 HEALTHCARE. LATINOS NOW MAKE UP 48 PERCENT OF THE POPULATION
- 21 OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY. THEY MAKE UP A LARGER PERCENTAGE OF
- 22 THOSE SEEKING SERVICES FROM YOUR COUNTY HOSPITALS AND CLINICS.
- 23 WE KNOW IN HINDSIGHT THAT L.A.C.+U.S.C. MEDICAL CENTER SHOULD
- 24 HAVE BEEN A MUCH LARGER FACILITY. WE ALSO KNOW THAT THERE'S A
- 25 GREAT NEED FOR A HOSPITAL IN THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY. THE



- 1 STATUS QUO HAS NOT ALLOWED THAT TO HAPPEN. WE CANNOT ACCEPT
- 2 THE STATUS QUO. THIS IS EXACTLY WHAT WE GET WITH THE A-3 MAP,
- 3 THE STATUS QUO. PLEASE DO WHAT IS FAIR AND WHAT IS REQUIRED BY
- 4 THE VOTING RIGHT ACT. SUPPORT TWO LATINO OPPORTUNITY
- 5 DISTRICTS.

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- 7 GLORIA CHAVEZ: GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS GLORIA CHAVEZ. I'M
- 8 PRESIDENT OF THE CITY TERRACE COORDINATING COUNCIL. AND MOST
- 9 OF ALL I AM A MOTHER, A GRANDMOTHER AND A PROUD WIFE. I HAVE
- 10 LIVED IN THE CITY TERRACE COMMUNITY SINCE 1963. I HAVE SEEN A
- 11 LOT OF CHANGES. I HAVE SEEN THINGS NOT DONE IN OUR COMMUNITY
- 12 FROM OUR PREVIOUS SUPERVISORS, PROMISES BUT NOTHING DONE. WE
- 13 HAVE A SUPERVISOR NOW THAT HAS MADE SOME CHANGES. I REMEMBER
- 14 PEOPLE COMING TO MY HOME AND SAYING, "HOW CAN YOU LIVE HERE,
- 15 GLORIA? HOW CAN YOU LIVE HERE IN THIS AREA? IT IS SO UGLY."
- 16 NOW WHEN PEOPLE COME TO CITY TERRACE, THEY SAY, "WHAT A
- 17 CHANGE." AND THAT IS BECAUSE WE HAVE A SUPERVISOR THAT IS
- 18 CONSCIOUS OF WHAT WE HAVE, WHO WE ARE AND WHAT WE NEED. AND
- 19 WHAT WE NEED IS SOMEONE TO COME IN TO OUR COMMUNITY AS GLORIA
- 20 MOLINA HAS COME IN AND SUPPORT THE VIEWS, THE NEEDS, NOT THE
- 21 WANTS, THE NEEDS OF THE COMMUNITIES OF NOT ONLY EAST LOS
- 22 ANGELES BUT ALL LATINO COMMUNITIES. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

- 24 SUP. MOLINA: THANK YOU, GLORIA. I THOUGHT I WOULD NEVER HEAR
- 25 THAT FROM YOU.



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- 2 VICKY CASTRO: THANK YOU, GOOD MORNING. GOOD MORNING, GOOD
- 3 AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS, HONORABLE SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS
- 4 VICTORIA CASTRO. I'M A CURRENT RESIDENT OF ALHAMBRA. I HAD THE
- 5 PLEASURE OF WORKING WITH MANY OF YOU WHEN I SERVED AS AN
- 6 ELECTED OFFICIAL ON THE LOS ANGELES UNIFIED SCHOOL BOARD. MY
- 7 COMMUNITY WORK BEGAN IN THE '60S AS AN ORGANIZER FOR THE 1968
- 8 SCHOOL WALKOUTS IN EAST LOS ANGELES. I ASSISTED WITH THE
- 9 CHICANO MORATORIUM MARCH AGAINST THE VIETNAM WAR AND AGAINST
- 10 PROPOSITION 187, 227 AND SO MANY OTHER JUSTICE STRUGGLES FOR
- 11 MY COMMUNITY. MY LIFE HAS BEEN ABOUT ADVOCATING FOR BETTER
- 12 EDUCATION AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR OUR YOUTH. TODAY I'M HERE TO
- 13 ASK YOU TO HELP US PROVIDE ADEQUATE REPRESENTATION ACROSS THE
- 14 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. I OPPOSE A-3. I URGE YOU TO SUPPORT T-1
- 15 AND S-2 MAPS. PLEASE DO NOT ALLOW HISTORY TO CONTINUE
- 16 REPEATING ITSELF. JUST AS WE EXPECT OUR STUDENTS TO LEARN FROM
- 17 OUR HISTORY IN SCHOOL, I HOPE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS CAN
- 18 LEARN FROM ITS OWN HISTORY. PLEASE JOIN THE STRUGGLE OF FAIR
- 19 REPRESENTATION. DEMONSTRATE YOUR COMMITMENT TO THE VOTING
- 20 RIGHTS ACT. RESPECT THE NEEDS OF OUR LATINO COMMUNITY FOR FAIR
- 21 REPRESENTATION. PLEASE LET US MOVE FORWARD IN THE WORK OF MARK
- 22 ROSENBAUM, THIS MORNING'S L.A. TIMES OP-ED. IT'S YOUR CHANCE
- 23 TO MAKE HISTORY, NOT REPEAT IT. I THANK YOU FOR THIS
- 24 OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS YOU.



- 1 LOURDES CARACPOSA: HELLO. MY NAME IS LOURDES CARACPOSA. I WAS
- 2 BORN AND RAISED IN EAST LOS ANGELES AND CONTINUE TO LIVE AND
- 3 WORK IN EAST LOS ANGELES. I AM HERE TODAY IN SUPPORT OF T-1
- 4 AND S-2 BECAUSE MY COMMUNITY AND FAMILY BENEFITED FROM
- 5 REDISTRICTING 20 YEARS AGO AND FEEL THAT THE NEXT GENERATION
- 6 DESERVES THE SAME OPPORTUNITY. I WORK EVERY DAY TO ENSURE THAT
- 7 CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL NEEDS AND THEIR FAMILIES RECEIVE
- 8 COMPREHENSIVE MULTILINGUAL COMMUNITY-BASED SERVICES AND
- 9 SUPPORT FOR THEIR EMOTIONAL AND PHYSICAL NEEDS. THERE IS MUCH
- 10 STIGMA AROUND THESE ISSUES IN OUR LATINO COMMUNITY. BEING IN A
- 11 DISTRICT WITH A LATINO SUPERVISOR GAVE US THAT OPPORTUNITY AND
- 12 CHANGED ALL THAT. SUPERVISOR GLORIA MOLINA CREATED CENTRO
- 13 ESTRELLO, A ONE-STOP SHOP FOR SPANISH-SPEAKING FAMILIES WHO
- 14 STRUGGLE TO GET SERVICES FOR THEIR CHILDREN WITH A
- 15 DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITY. THIS CHANGE WAS ACHIEVED THROUGH
- 16 SOMEONE WHO CARED ABOUT OUR SPECIAL NEEDS CHILDREN AND OUR
- 17 FAMILIES AND OUR COMMUNITY, SOMEONE WHO WAS WILLING TO
- 18 STRONGLY ADVOCATE FOR US AND TO BRING THESE RESOURCES TO OUR
- 19 COMMUNITY. UNTIL CENTRO ESTRELLO WE HAD NO WAY TO ENSURE THAT
- 20 FAMILIES WERE RECEIVING COMMUNITY SERVICES, FAMILY AND PEER
- 21 SUPPORT GROUPS, ADVOCACY TRAINING, BEHAVIORAL HEALTH, AFTER
- 22 SCHOOL, INCLUSIVE PRESCHOOL AND SPECIALIZED AQUATICS. AND ALL
- 23 THESE SERVICES TO ENSURE THE SUCCESSFUL DEVELOPMENT OF HEALTHY
- 24 CHILDREN.



1 FATHER MORETTA: GOOD AFTERNOON.

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- 3 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: STEVEN REYES AND DR. DAVID HAYES
- 4 POSTIA. YES, FATHER.

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- 6 FATHER MORETTA: GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS MONSIGNOR JOHN
- 7 MORETTA. I'M THE PASTOR FOR 28 YEARS AT RESURRECTION CHURCH IN
- 8 BOYLE HEIGHTS. OUR PARRISH HAS DURING THESE YEARS FOUGHT FOR
- 9 ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE, WHETHER IT BE IN THE SITING OF A
- 10 NECESSARY VERNON POWER PLANT, WHETHER IT BE AGAINST THE STATE
- 11 PRISON OR WHETHER IT BE AGAINST TOXIC INCINERATORS, WE'VE BEEN
- 12 THERE. I COME HERE TODAY TO ASK THAT YOU PLEASE PROVIDE US
- 13 WITH THE BEST POSSIBLE OPPORTUNITY TO ADVOCATE FOR A HEALTHY
- 14 QUALITY OF LIFE FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS. MY PARISHIONERS IN ALL
- 15 THE EAST SIDE HAVE BEEN READY TO FIGHT FOR WHAT IS FAIR AND TO
- 16 FIGHT AGAINST WHAT IS HARMFUL AND DANGEROUS TO OUR COMMUNITY,
- 17 ESPECIALLY TO THE YOUNG CHILDREN. T-1 AND S-2 MAPS GIVE US ALL
- 18 THE FAIRNESS AND JUSTICE WE HAVE BEEN SEEKING FOR YEARS. IT IS
- 19 SAD THAT IN THIS DAY AND AGE THAT WE WOULD HAVE TO RESORT TO
- 20 THE COURTS AGAIN. PLEASE AVOID THAT AND THANK YOU.

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22 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU, SIR.

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24 SUP. MOLINA: THANK YOU, FATHER.



1 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: YOU'RE ON.

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- 3 ASSEMBLYMAN GILBERT CEDILLO: THANK YOU. HAPPY TO SEE ALL OF
- 4 YOU. VERY LITTLE I CAN ADD. LET ME JUST SUGGEST THAT I KNOW
- 5 THAT WHEN WE BEGAN OUR CAREERS, WE BEGAN WITH THE IDEA THAT WE
- 6 WOULD BE AGENTS OF CHANGE. I WANT TO IMPLORE YOU TO BE THAT
- 7 TODAY, TO BE AN AGENT OF CHANGE, TO SUPPORT THE RULE OF LAW,
- 8 TO SUPPORT THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT, AND TO SUPPORT THE
- 9 EXPRESSION OF THAT AS IT'S DICTATED IN GARZA V. L.A. COUNTY.
- 10 AND FOR THAT, THE ONLY OPTION THAT YOU HAVE IS TO SUPPORT T-1.
- 11 T-1 EMBODIES BOTH THE SPIRIT OF LAW AND THE LETTER OF THE LAW.
- 12 AND THE STATUS QUO IS UNACCEPTABLE. AND SO I WILL SAY TO YOU
- 13 AS PEOPLE SAY TO ME TOO FREQUENTLY WHAT PART OF THE LAW DON'T
- 14 YOU UNDERSTAND? WHAT PART OF LEGAL DON'T YOU GET? YOU HAVE AN
- 15 OPPORTUNITY TODAY TO FACILITATE CHANGE WE KNOW IS INEVITABLE.
- 16 I URGE YOU TO FACILITATE THAT CHANGE. DON'T LITIGATE IT.
- 17 FACILITATE THAT CHANGE. BE AN AGENT OF CHANGE AND PROGRESS.

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- 19 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU, SENATOR. THANK YOU. LET ME
- 20 ALSO CALL UP. [APPLAUSE.] PLEASE, SERGEANT REMOVE THOSE ARE
- 21 KEEPING THE CHEER. I'M TELLING YOU. ALEX REZA, ELSA LOPEZ,
- 22 CAROL JACQUES. CLARA SOLIS? YES, SIR.

- 24 STEVEN REYES: GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS STEVE REYES. I SERVED
- 25 AS A MEMBER OF THE BOUNDARY REVIEW COMMITTEE FOR DISTRICT 1.



- 1 DURING THE B.R.C.'S DELIBERATIONS, THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT WAS
- 2 THE 100-POUND GORILLA IN THE ROOM THAT SPECIAL COUNSEL DID NOT
- 3 WANT TO DISCUSS OR PROPERLY PLAN FOR. THE FACT THAT AT OUR
- 4 HEARINGS, THE PUBLIC TELEGRAPHED THAT THEY WOULD SUBMIT PLANS
- 5 WITH AN ADDITIONAL LATINO MAJORITY DISTRICT DEMANDED THAT THE
- 6 VOTING RIGHTS ACT CONSIDERATIONS NOT BE CONSIDERED AS A
- 7 PERIPHERAL CONCERN. DESPITE OUR CONCERTED EFFORTS, SPECIAL
- 8 COUNSEL FAILED TO PROVIDE THE B.R.C. WITH ANY TOOLS TO ANALYZE
- 9 THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT COMPLIANCE. THE RESULT, THE COMMISSION
- 10 NOT INCLUDING 1 AND 2 APPOINTEES. RECOMMENDED A LEGALLY
- 11 DEFICIENT PLAN, A-3, THAT IGNORED THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT. THAT
- 12 GLARING OMISSION FORCED DISTRICT 1 AND DISTRICT 2 MEMBERS TO
- 13 PREPARE A 400-PAGE REPORT ANALYZING ALL APPLICABLE LAWS
- 14 INCLUDING THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT. THAT REPORT PROVIDES THIS
- 15 BOARD WITH A CHOICE OF REPEATING HISTORY OR LEARNING FROM IT.
- 16 EARLIER TODAY YOU HEARD FROM TWO WOMEN WHO THIS COUNTRY
- 17 ILLEGALLY DEPORTED. AND DESPITE THAT TRAGEDY, THEY WERE HERE
- 18 TODAY REAFFIRMING THEIR BELIEF IN OUR DEMOCRACY. PLEASE DO NOT
- 19 LET THEM DOWN.

- 21 ALEX REZA: MY NAME IS ALEX REZA, I'M ACTIVE IN SEVERAL
- 22 COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS OUT IN THE EAST AND NORTHEAST
- 23 SAN FERNANDO VALLEY. I'M HERE TO ADVOCATE FOR FAIR
- 24 REPRESENTATION OF THE LATINO COMMUNITY AND THAT MEANS I
- 25 SUPPORT GLORIA MOLINA'S PLAN AND MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS'S PLAN.



- 1 THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR MOLINA. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR THOMAS FOR
- 2 YOUR COURAGEOUS LEADERSHIP. 20 YEARS AGO I WAS TEACHING
- 3 GOVERNMENT AT SAN FERNANDO HIGH SCHOOL, AND ACTUALLY ONE OF MY
- 4 STUDENTS WAS ALEX PADILLA THAT YOU HEARD FROM EARLIER TODAY.
- 5 AND I FOLLOWED THE GARZA CASE VERY CLOSELY. I ALSO, BY THE
- 6 WAY, TAUGHT MY STUDENTS ABOUT THE MENDEZ CASE. AND I REMEMBER
- 7 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH FIGHTING TO THE BITTER END TO APPEAL THE
- 8 GARZA CASE, AND SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, YOU LOST. LET'S NOT
- 9 REPEAT THAT MISTAKE AGAIN. LET'S NOT REPEAT HISTORY. LET'S
- 10 MAKE HISTORY!

- 12 CAROL JAQUES: MY NAME IS CAROL JAQUES. I AM A CITIZEN OF LOS
- 13 ANGELES. MY GRANDFATHER CAME HERE IN 1907. I LIVED AND WAS
- 14 BORN IN PALOS VERDE, WHAT YOU NOW KNOW AS DODGERS STADIUM. I
- 15 AM HERE TO REPRESENT MY GRANDPARENTS AND ALL THOSE THAT DID
- 16 NOT HAVE A VOICE BECAUSE THEY HAD NO REPRESENTATION. MOST OF
- 17 THEM MOVED OUT SILENTLY BECAUSE THEY KNEW THEY HAD NO
- 18 REPRESENTATION. THOSE FEW THAT SPOKE UP WERE NOT LISTENED TO.
- 19 I ASK YOU TODAY TO VOTE FOR T-1 OR S-2 BECAUSE LOS ANGELES
- 20 DOES NOT HAVE A PRETTY HISTORY. AT THE TURN OF THE CENTURY
- 21 THERE WAS A WATER FOUNTAIN THAT ONLY PEOPLE OF COLOR COULD
- 22 DRINK OUT OF. IN 1909, THE CITY COUNCIL VOTED AGAINST FREE
- 23 SPEECH EVERYWHERE EXCEPT AT THE SOCOLO IN LOS ANGELES. TODAY
- 24 ALL OF YOU WILL BE MAKING HISTORY. YOU'RE NOT VOTING FOR A
- 25 LATINO. YOU'RE VOTING TO GIVE REPRESENTATION TO THE PEOPLE



- 1 THAT LIVE HERE IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. I ASK THAT YOU
- 2 VOTE WITH GLORIA MOLINA.

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- 4 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: CLARA SOLIS, YVONNE GARCIA AND ALAN
- 5 CLAYTON. YES, MA'AM.

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- 7 CLARA SOLIS: CLARA SOLIS FROM THE EAST L.A. I-710 ADVISORY
- 8 COMMITTEE. I SUPPORT THE T-1 AND S-2 PLANS. EAST L.A. IS
- 9 DISSECTED AND POLLUTED BY FOUR MAJOR FREEWAYS. WHEN THERE WAS
- 10 TALK OF EXPANDING THE I-710 FREEWAY, THE NUMBER 1 CONCERN WAS
- 11 AIR POLLUTION. CHILDREN IN OUR COMMUNITIES SUFFER
- 12 DISPROPORTIONATELY FROM ASTHMA AND OTHER RESPIRATORY
- 13 ILLNESSES. WHEN FREEWAYS WERE PLANNED, WE DIDN'T HAVE
- 14 REPRESENTATION. INDEED, GARZA VERSUS L.A. COUNTY FOUND
- 15 INTENTIONAL DISCRIMINATION AGAINST LATINOS IN REDISTRICTING
- 16 FROM 1959 TO 1981. TODAY WE HAVE A VOICE AT THE TABLE,
- 17 SUPERVISOR MOLINA. NOW ANY EXPANSION OF THE I-710 FREEWAY HAS
- 18 TO BE DONE IN A MANNER THAT WILL NOT INCREASE AIR POLLUTION
- 19 ALONG THE CORRIDOR. THIS BENEFITS THE ENTIRE REGION. IT'S BEEN
- 20 SUGGESTED THAT IF THERE ARE TWO LATINO DISTRICTS, THE
- 21 ENVIRONMENT WILL SUFFER. THE OPPOSITE IS TRUE. AS I-710 SHOWS,
- 22 WE CARE ABOUT ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE. WE WANT AIR POLLUTION
- 23 REDUCED.

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25 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU, MA'AM. THANK YOU.



2 CLARA SOLIS: FOLLOW THE LAW.

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- 4 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: LAURA GOMEZ? GUILERMO GUTIERREZ? JORGE
- 5 CORRALEJO? ILLECE BUCKLEY WEBER? ILLECE BUCKLEY WEBER? OKAY,
- 6 ALAN.

- 8 ALAN CLAYTON: THANK YOU, MAYOR ANTONOVICH, OTHER BOARD
- 9 MEMBERS. MY NAME IS ALAN CLAYTON. I'VE BEEN INVOLVED IN COUNTY
- 10 REDISTRICTING GOING BACK INTO THE '80S. BEEN THROUGH THE
- 11 MEETINGS GOING OVER THE LAST 30, MANY, MANY YEARS LET'S PUT
- 12 IT. AND I SEE A NUMBER OF THE BOARD MEMBERS HERE. THIS IS A
- 13 TOUGH ISSUE, I UNDERSTAND THAT. I IMPLORE YOU TO TAKE A REALLY
- 14 GOOD LOOK AT TRYING TO RESOLVE THIS. GOING THROUGH FEDERAL
- 15 COURT IS A VERY TOUGH, CONTENTIOUS PROCESS. VERY EXPENSIVE. I
- 16 REMEMBER THE GARZA CASE. I SAT IN AND WATCHED PARTS OF THE
- 17 TRIAL. TRY TO THINK OUT A WAY IF YOU CAN WORK IT OUT, TRY TO
- 18 PUT YOUR THOUGHTS TOGETHER. THERE'S A LOT OF VERY TALENTED
- 19 GROUP OF PEOPLE ON THIS BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. TRY TO COME UP
- 20 WITH A COMPROMISE THAT MEETS THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT THAT ALSO
- 21 GIVES INCUMBENTS THE ABILITY TO BE ABLE TO RUN CAMPAIGNS. WHEN
- 22 I DRAW MAPS, I TRY TO TREAT INCUMBENTS AS FAIRLY AS POSSIBLE
- 23 AND TRY TO COMPLY WITH THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT. I REALLY HOPE
- 24 YOU TAKE THE TIME AND THINK ABOUT THIS, A HISTORIC VOTE.
- 25 PLEASE DON'T VOTE HASTILY.



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- 2 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU, ALAN. GINA ALONSO? GINA
- 3 ALONSO? GEORGIA THOMPSON? GEORGIA THOMPSON? EUGENE HERNANDEZ?
- 4 EUGENE HERNANDEZ? MARGARITA LOPEZ? MARGARITA LOPEZ? YES,
- 5 MA'AM. OKAY. YES, MA'AM.

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7 TRINIDAD GOMEZ: (SPANISH).

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9 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU.

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- 11 INTERPRETER: FIRST OF ALL I WOULD LIKE TO TAKE A MOMENT TO
- 12 THANK GOD FOR BEING HERE. AND I ALSO WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR
- 13 GLORIA MOLINA FOR ALL THE GREAT SERVICES THAT SHE HAS PROVIDED
- 14 FOR THE COMMUNITY, ESPECIALLY FOR PROVIDING THE BUSES.
- 15 SUPERVISORS, I HAVE TO ASK YOU TO SUPPORT PLAN T-1 AND S-2,
- 16 WHICH WOULD CREATE A NEW SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT. PLEASE
- 17 PROTECT THE CONSTITUTION AND THE BORDERS. WE DEMAND JUSTICE.
- 18 THAT'S WHAT SHE HAD INITIALLY HAD WRITTEN IN HER TESTIMONY.
- 19 THANK YOU.

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- 21 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP ROGER
- 22 PUGLIESE AND DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. YES, MA'AM.

- 24 YVONNE GARCIA: GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS YVONNE GARCIA. I'M A
- 25 THIRD YEAR STUDENT AT SOUTHWESTERN LAW SCHOOL AND I'M ALSO A



- 1 TEACHING ASSISTANT FOR DR. CHRISTOPHER DAVID RUIZ CAMERON. I'M
- 2 HERE TO SUBMIT TESTIMONY THAT PROFESSOR CAMERON IS UNABLE TO
- 3 DELIVER TODAY IN PERSON. PROFESSOR CAMERON'S TESTIMONY IS
- 4 ABOUT THE LONG HISTORY OF THE SUPPRESSION OF LATINOS' RIGHTS
- 5 IN L.A. COUNTY. THIS HISTORY BEGAN IN 1848 WITH THE
- 6 DISPOSITION OF LAND OWNED BY FORMER MEXICAN CITIZENS UNDER THE
- 7 TREATY OF GUADALUPE HILDALGO AND CONTINUES TODAY. A TOTAL OF
- 8 15 EXAMPLES OF HOW THE RIGHTS OF LATINOS HAVE BEEN SUPPRESSED
- 9 ARE SET FORTH IN PROFESSOR CAMERON'S WRITTEN TESTIMONY. THESE
- 10 EXAMPLES INCLUDE THE COURT'S REFUSAL TO HOLD L.A. COUNTY
- 11 U.S.C. MEDICAL CENTER ACCOUNTABLE FOR THE FORCED STERILIZATION
- 12 OF SPANISH SPEAKING WOMEN IN 1981 AND THE PASSAGE OF
- 13 PROPOSITION 227 IN 1998 WHICH BANNED MOST FORMS OF BILINGUAL
- 14 EDUCATION IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS, DESPITE THE FACT THAT 63 PERCENT
- 15 OF LATINOS OPPOSED IT. I ASK THAT PROFESSOR CAMERON'S WRITTEN
- 16 TESTIMONY BE ENTERED INTO THE RECORD. THANK YOU.

18 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: YES, MA'AM.

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- 20 GINA ALONSO: I'M NEXT? GOOD AFTERNOON, MEMBERS OF THE L.A.
- 21 COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. I'M GINA ALONSO, MEMBER OF HOPE,
- 22 HISPANICS ORGANIZED FOR POLITICAL EQUALITY. I AM HERE TODAY TO
- 23 VOICE MY STRONG SUPPORT FOR THE T-1 PLAN, THE VOTING RIGHTS
- 24 ACT COMPLIANCE MAP, AND THE S-2 PLAN. THE A-3 MAP, THE STATUS
- 25 QUO, IS NOT GOOD ENOUGH FOR THE 48 PERCENT OF LATINO



- 1 COMMUNITY. IT'S NOT GOOD ENOUGH. IF PRESIDENT ABRAHAM LINCOLN
- 2 WOULD HAVE THOUGHT THAT THE STATUS QUO WAS ALL RIGHT, WE WOULD
- 3 NOT HAVE A PRESIDENT BARACK OBAMA OR OUR SUPERVISOR MARK
- 4 RIDLEY-THOMAS TODAY. YOU TOOK AN OATH WHEN YOU BECAME
- 5 SUPERVISORS TO FOLLOW THE LAW. 20 YEARS AGO YOU SPENT 16
- 6 MILLION AND LOST THE LAWSUIT. AT A TIME WHEN WE HAVE AN
- 7 ECONOMIC RECESSION, ARE YOU GOING TO SPEND 32 MILLION OR MORE
- 8 OF THE HARD-EARNED TAXPAYERS' MONEY TO LOSE AGAIN? WE ARE
- 9 CONFIDENT THAT YOU WILL MAKE THE RIGHT DECISION, FOLLOW THE
- 10 LAW AND AVOID A COSTLY LAWSUIT. (SPANISH.)

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- 12 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL,
- 13 PAUL RUBENSTEIN? PAUL RUBENSTEIN? HAROLD HELSLEY? HAROLD
- 14 HELSLEY? LEE RENGER? LEE RENGER? YES, MA'AM.

- 16 MARGARITA LOPEZ: GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS MARGARITA LOPEZ.
- 17 I'M A CSUN STUDENT AND STUDENT ORGANIZER IN THE SAN FERNANDO
- 18 VALLEY. I AM HERE TO ASK YOU TO PLEASE SUPPORT T-1 OR S-2. I
- 19 ASK YOU TO MAKE AN HONORABLE DECISION, ONE THAT WON'T VIOLATE
- 20 THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT. I ASK YOU TO MAKE HISTORY TODAY AND NOT
- 21 REPEAT IT. I ASK YOU TO ALLOW ESPECIALLY THE YOUTH WHO ARE
- 22 HERE TODAY TO WALK AWAY WITH PRIDE IN THAT THEIR PRESENCE WAS
- 23 NOT IN VAIN. DON'T FORGET THAT THE SAME YOUTH ARE THE FUTURE
- 24 VOTERS AND WILL REMEMBER YOU AS EITHER THE REPRESENTATIVES WHO
- 25 -- SORRY, I'M A LITTLE ILL. REPRESENTATIVES WHO HELPED MAKE



- 1 SURE THAT THEIR INTERESTS WERE MET OR EITHER THEIR
- 2 REPRESENTATIVES WHO TOOK INTEREST IN THEIR OWN POCKETS. THANK
- 3 YOU SO MUCH. PLEASE SUPPORT T-1 OR S-2.

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- 5 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. JULES FEIR? JULES FEIR?
- 6 CHUCK BETZ? OR BETZ? JOSE GONZALEZ? CLAY STEWARD? CLAY
- 7 STEWARD? BRITTANY TOBAR? BRITTANY TOBAR? JOEL RUCKER? JOEL
- 8 RUCKER? ROLENE NAVEJA? NAVEJA? DANIEL ROMERO? DANIEL ROMERO?
- 9 RUBEN REYES? RUBEN REYES? WE NEED AN INTERPRETER FOR RUBEN.
- 10 YES, SIR.

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- 12 ROGER PUGLIESE: GOD AFTERNOON. IS THIS ON? MY NAME IS ROGER
- 13 PUGLIESE. I AM THE CHAIR OF THE TOPANGA ASSOCIATION FOR A
- 14 SCENIC COMMUNITY AND WE ARE TOTALLY IN SUPPORT OF A-3. A
- 15 SECOND 1,000 RESIDENTS HAVE AUTHORIZED ME ALSO TO SPEAK IN
- 16 FAVOR OF A-3. IT WAS MENTIONED EARLIER THAT T-1 WAS FAIR AND
- 17 EQUITABLE. WELL, I HAVE TO TELL YOU THAT T-1 IS NOT FAIR AND
- 18 EOUITABLE TO EVERYONE THAT'S IN THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS. IT
- 19 DISENFRANCHISES ALL OF US. FOR US, IT'S NOT ABOUT RACE. WE
- 20 VOTED FOR ZEV YAROSLAVSKY AND WE THAT SHOULD BE DETERMINED BY
- 21 AN ELECTION. AND AS I SIT HERE, I LISTEN TO VARIOUS SPEAKERS
- 22 TALK ABOUT DIVERSIFICATION. THIS DISTRICT IS VERY DIVERSIFIED.
- 23 SO WE STAY WITH A-3. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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25 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. YES, SIR.



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- 2 JOSE GONZALEZ: MY NAME IS JOSE GONZALEZ. THANK YOU VERY MUCH
- 3 FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK TO YOU TODAY. I REPRESENT THE
- 4 EAST LOS BUSINESSES COLLABORATIVE. AND I KNOW I'VE BEEN BEFORE
- 5 YOU MANY TIMES ON MANY DIFFERENT ISSUES. AND I JUST WANTED TO
- 6 SAY THAT I APPLAUD YOUR YEARS OF SERVICE AND WOULD REALLY LIKE
- 7 TO SEE YOUR LEADERSHIP OVER THE NEXT COUPLE OF YEARS IN MAKING
- 8 SURE THAT AS YOU LEAVE OFFICE, THAT YOU PROVIDE FOR US AN
- 9 OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE HISTORY, NOT AN OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE
- 10 HISTORY IN THE NEGATIVE AND GO OUT OF OFFICE AS A RESULT OF AN
- 11 ELECTION THAT YOU WERE NOT A PART OF MAKING HAPPEN. WE IN OUR
- 12 COMMUNITY, I'VE HEARD A LOT OF PEOPLE TALK ABOUT THE SANTA
- 13 MONICA MOUNTAINS AND ALL THOSE KINDS OF THINGS. WELL YOU KNOW
- 14 LATINOS, WE APPRECIATE THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS. WE HAD THEM
- 15 BEFORE. A LOT OF PEOPLE HERE HAD THEM HERE AS MEXICANS. AND SO
- 16 THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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- 18 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU SIR. DEBRA BIANCO? DEBRA
- 19 BIANCO? ZINA JOSEPHS? ZINA JOSEPHS. YES, SIR.

- 21 **JOEL RUCKER:** MY NAME IS JOEL RUCKER, I'M FROM THE SAN
- 22 FERNANDO, NORTHEAST L.A. SAN FERNANDO VALLEY AREA. IT SEEMS
- 23 THE ISSUE HERE, I'VE BEEN HERE ALL DAY, IS THAT WE'RE LOOKING
- 24 AT THE ELECTABILITY OF CANDIDATES. IN MY AREA, WE HAVE NO
- 25 PROBLEM WITH THAT POSSIBILITY OF LATINOS BEING REPRESENTED.



- 1 FOR THAT REASON, I SEE AND I APPROVE OF A-3 AND SEE NO FACTORS
- 2 AND OPPOSE T-1 AND T2. THANK YOU.

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4 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU, SIR. YES, SIR.

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- 6 DANIEL ROMERO: HI, MY NAME IS DANIEL ROMERO AND I AM OPPOSED
- 7 OF THE PLAN A-3. THE REASON WHY IS BECAUSE IT'S
- 8 UNCONSTITUTIONAL AND THE CENSUS SAYS THAT THERE'S MORE PEOPLE
- 9 NOW IN THE DISTRICT AND THEY SHOULD DIVIDE IT AND BECOME MORE
- 10 DIVIDED, AND THE LATINO COMMUNITY WILL HAVE A VOICE. AND LAST
- 11 TIME I CHECKED, THIS GOVERNMENT WAS BY THE PEOPLE AND FOR THE
- 12 PEOPLE. AND THE LATINO COMMUNITY HAS A VOICE AND SHOULD BE
- 13 HEARD.

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- 15 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP JAVIER
- 16 ORTIZ? JAVIER ORTIZ? AND DEANA VITELA? VITELA? YES, MA'AM?

- 18 DEBRA BIANCO: HI. MY NAME IS DEBRA BIANCO AND I AM THE
- 19 PRESIDENT OF THE CORNUCOPIA FOUNDATION. I'M A RESIDENT OF
- 20 MALIBU. AND FIRST OF ALL, WE OPPOSE S-2, T-1 AND ARE FOR A-3
- 21 OR A-B. THIS IS NOT A CONTEST TO SEE WHO IS GOING TO RUN L.A.
- 22 COUNTY. I MEAN IF ANYBODY HAS WORKED CLOSELY WITH THE
- 23 DISTRICT, THEY KNOW WHAT HARD WORKERS THEY ARE. I MEAN, WITH
- 24 MY OWN EXPERIENCE, WHETHER IT'S A LITTLE PROBLEM OR A HUGE
- 25 DISASTER, I'M TALKING DISASTERS, THEIR STAFF IS THERE AROUND

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- 1 THE CLOCK. THEY PICK UP THE PHONES FOR THE LITTLE NEEDS AS
- 2 WELL AS THEY ARE THERE FOR THE BIG NEEDS. WE DO NOT HAVE A
- 3 PROBLEM WITH THIS DISTRICT. WE NEED THIS DISTRICT. YES, THE
- 4 LATINOS, I MEAN LOOK AT THE COLOR OF MY SKIN, BY THE WAY, IT'S
- 5 BROWN. LATINOS, THEY HAVE A RIGHT. BUT THERE'S NOTHING WRONG
- 6 WITH OUR DISTRICT. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME. PLEASE VOTE.

8 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. MARLENE ARAZO? ARAZO? JOSE

9 GOMEZ? VINCENT HARO? VINCENT HARO? YES MA'AM.

11 ZINA JOSEPHS: THANK YOU, I'M ZINA JOSEPHS AND I'M HERE TO

- 12 SPEAK FOR FRIENDS OF SUNSET PARK WHICH IS A CITY RECOGNIZED
- 13 NEIGHBORHOOD ORGANIZATION IN THE CITY OF SANTA MONICA WHICH
- 14 REPRESENTS APPROXIMATELY 13,000 RESIDENTS. WE URGE YOU TO
- 15 PRESERVE THE THIRD SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT AS IT IS PRESENTLY
- 16 CONSTITUTED. THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS, THE LAST REMAINING
- 17 RELATIVELY NATURAL HABITAT FROM LOS ANGELES TO THE MEXICAN
- 18 BORDER, BIND TOGETHER THE THIRD DISTRICT COMMUNITIES. THE
- 19 PROPOSALS TO COMBINE SANTA MONICA IN A DISTRICT WITH
- 20 COMMUNITIES AS FAR AWAY AS LONG BEACH MAKE NO SENSE TO US.
- 21 ISSUES CONCERNING THE ECOSYSTEM OF THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS
- 22 SUCH AS GUARDING AGAINST WILDFIRES HAVE LITTLE IN COMMON WITH
- 23 ISSUES AFFECTING THE PORT OF LONG BEACH. THE FRIENDS BOARD
- 24 SUPPORTS THE A-3 PLAN BECAUSE IT WILL KEEP THE SANTA MONICA



- 1 MOUNTAINS AS THE CENTERPIECE OF THE COMPACT THIRD DISTRICT.
- 2 THANK YOU.

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- 4 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP EDWARD
- 5 VAILL. EDWARD VALLEY OR VAILL? VAILL? KENNETH WHEELAND?
- 6 CECILIA YEH. CECILIA YEH. YES, SIR.

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- 8 JAVIER ORTIZ: GOOD DAY, ALL. I AM JAVIER ANGEL ORTIZ. I AM 18
- 9 AND IN REPRESENTATION OF LA CASA YOUTH PROGRAM. I AM HERE AS A
- 10 CONCERNED CITIZEN OF EAST LOS ANGELES AND IN SUPPORT OF THE
- 11 BEAUTIFUL AND HONORABLE GLORIA MOLINA IN THE T-1 OR S-2 PLANS.
- 12 I AM OPPOSITION OF THE A-3 PLAN. IT BAFFLES ME THAT THE A-3
- 13 MAP RESTRICTS THE BOUNDARIES TO PRETTY MUCH STAY THE SAME AS
- 14 THE WAY IT WAS ESTABLISHED, WHICH WAS 20 YEARS AGO. I'M PRETTY
- 15 SURE YOU GUYS HAVE SEEN ALL THE STATISTICS, SO I DON'T HAVE TO
- 16 GO OVER THAT. THE PROBLEM AREN'T THE LATINOS IS A POPULATION
- 17 GROWTH. SIMPLE MATH. AND OTHER PEOPLE LIKE TALK ABOUT RURAL
- 18 AREAS, BUT LIKE THE PEOPLE THAT MOLINA'S REPRESENTING LIVE
- 19 LIKE IN URBANIZED AREAS AND SINCE THE POPULATION HAS GROWN SO
- 20 HAS VIOLENCE AND CRIME AND STUFF THAT OTHER PEOPLE HAVEN'T
- 21 REALLY GONE OVER. IT IS ILLOGICAL THAT AS THE POPULACE GROWS
- 22 TO CREATE A SIXTH DISTRICT FOR MOLINA TO GET THE SUPPORT SHE
- 23 NEEDS.



- 1 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. THANK YOU, SIR.
- 2 LET ME ALSO CALL UP IS CECILIA YEH? ANDREA WALKER? ANDREA
- 3 WALKER. YES, MA'AM.

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- 5 MARLENE ARAZO: MAYOR, WITH ALL RESPECT, MAYOR, WHEN I TALK CAN
- 6 YOU LOOK AT ME? WHEN YOU TALK, I LOOK AT YOU. MY NAME IS
- 7 MARLENE ARAZO, AND I AM 16 YEARS OLD AND A STUDENT AT LA CAUSA
- 8 AND A YOUTH AT LEGACY L.A. I AM HERE TO SUPPORT GLORIA
- 9 MOLINA'S PLAN T-1 AND S-2. I OPPOSE TO A-3 BECAUSE I GREW UP
- 10 WITH NO RESOURCES AND I AM SURE I AM NOT THE ONLY LATINA THAT
- 11 DID. IT IS NO FUN LIVING NEXT TO A 10 FREEWAY IN BETWEEN TWO
- 12 TRAINS AND SURROUNDED BY FACTORIES. I BELIEVE A SECOND COUNTY
- 13 DISTRICT RUN BY HISPANIC IS NECESSARY AND MORE PROGRAMS, AS
- 14 WELL. SO I CLOSE MY SPEECH WITH A QUOTE I PICKED UP ON MY WAY
- 15 IN. MAKE HISTORY DON'T REPEAT HISTORY AND TOGETHER WE CAN DO
- 16 IT. AND, GLORIA, YOU ARE A GOOD ROLE MODEL IN MY HOUSE. THANK
- 17 YOU. EFREN MARTINEZ? CHANTHY YI? CHANTHY YI? MARIA LOURDES
- 18 PEREYA EMERIO? WE'LL NEED A TRANSLATOR FOR MARIA. YES SIR.

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- 20 VINCENT HARO: HI, MY NAME IS VINCENT HARO. I'M FROM LA CAUSA
- 21 YOUTH PROGRAM IN EAST LOS ANGELES IN SUPPORT OF MOLINA'S T-1
- 22 AND S-2 PLAN, IN OPPOSITION OF A-3. THANK YOU TO ALL MY
- 23 LATINOS IN SUPPORT OF SUPERVISOR MOLINA.



- 1 EDWARD VAILL: MY NAME IS EDWARD VAILL. I'M A 37-YEAR MALIBU
- 2 RESIDENT. FORMER MEMBER OF ITS PLANNING COMMISSION AND PARKS
- 3 AND RECREATION COMMISSION. I SUPPORT A-3 FOR THE REASONS
- 4 STATED BY FRAN PAVLEY, JULIA BROWNLEY AND THE MEMBERS OF THE
- 5 MALIBU CITY COUNCIL. I OPPOSE T-1. IT WOULD SURGICALLY REMOVE
- 6 OUR SUPERVISOR, ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, WHO'S DONE AN EXCELLENT JOB.
- 7 IT WOULD MAKE OUR DISTRICT LOOK LIKE A SALAMANDER. I HAVE A
- 8 FURTHER SOLUTION WHICH MIGHT MAKE SENSE TO EVERYBODY HERE.
- 9 INCREASE THE NUMBER OF L.A. COUNTY SUPERVISORS FROM FIVE TO
- 10 SEVEN. THERE ARE TOO MANY PEOPLE IN L.A. TO BE REPRESENTED BY
- 11 ONLY FIVE SUPERVISORS. AND REFERENCE TO A PRIOR SPEAKER'S
- 12 COMMENT, THE CHUMASH INDIANS HAD ALL OF THE SANTA MONICA
- 13 MOUNTAINS BEFORE ANY OF US HERE. THANK YOU.

- 15 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. CRISTINA ALONZO. CRISTINA
- 16 ALONZO. ANGELA CAMPOS? ANGELA CAMPOS? RAFAEL BUENO? TEODORA
- 17 CARNALLA? NATIVIDAD CARRERA? CEOGIO AMAYA? LUCILA ESOUIBEL?
- 18 BALTAZAR ESTRADA? BALTAZAR ESTRADA. BLANCA GARCIA? BLANCA
- 19 GARCIA? ATILIO GONZALEZ? ATILIO GONZALEZ? LIVIER GONZALEZ?
- 20 MARIA GONZALEZ. MARIA GONZALEZ. FELIX HERNANDEZ, FELIX
- 21 HERNANDEZ? DOMINGO LOPEZ. CYNTHIA FLORES. ANN FRANZEN.
- 22 EURIGUETA LOPEZ. MANUEL MALDONADO? ABELINO PABLO? ZENAIDA
- 23 RIVERA? RACHEL SANTOS? MIGUEL ANGEL SOLIS? ANA MARIA ROBLES?
- 24 SANDRA UYHEUARI. SAN PEDRO. JOSEFINA TORRES. MARIA POLANCO.
- 25 GABRIEL MANCILLA. YENI ENRIQUEZ. DORA CRUZ? JUAN SANUDO DNS.



- 1 EULALIA CHAVEZ. EULALIA CHAVEZ. CANDELARIA VENTURA. CANDELARIA
- 2 VENTURA. OSIRIS MEDINAS. STEPHANIE MARTINEZ. STEPHANIE
- 3 MARTINEZ. RAFAEL MORALES?

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5 **SPEAKER:** T-1.

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7 **SPEAKER:** S-2 T-1. CHANTING!

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- 9 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: PLEASE HAVE THAT PERSON REMOVED FROM
- 10 THE BOARDROOM AT THIS TIME. YOU ARE NOW GOING TO BE ORDERED
- 11 OUT OF THIS MEETING. ROSA CASTANEDA? ROSA CASTANEDA? MARIA
- 12 CASTILLO? MARIA CASTILLO? CINDY CLEGHORN? CINDY CLEGHORN?
- 13 CAN'T BELIEVE PEOPLE SIGN UP AND DON'T SHOW UP. PAZ JARAMILL?
- 14 PAZ JARAMILL? WHY DON'T YOU GO ON. I'LL CALL SOME MORE NAMES.
- 15 YOU'RE ON.

- 17 EFREN MARTINEZ: THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME
- 18 IS EFREN MARTINEZ, ACTIVE MEMBER OF THE EMPOWERMENT CONGRESS
- 19 AND EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE FLORENCE-FIRESTONE WALNUT PARK
- 20 CHAMBER OF COMMERCE LOCATED IN UNINCORPORATED AREA OF THE
- 21 COUNTY AND REPRESENTED BY BOTH SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS
- 22 AND GLORIA MOLINA. ALTHOUGH OUR COMMUNITY WOULD ENCOUNTER A
- 23 CHANGE OF SUPERVISOR, OUR CHAMBER, OUR BUSINESSES, OUR
- 24 RESIDENTS AND THE FLORENCE-FIRESTONE AND WALNUT PARK
- 25 COMMUNITIES ALL AGREE WITH AND STRONGLY SUPPORT THE MAP



- 1 PROPOSALS BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA AND RIDLEY-THOMAS, WHICH WOULD
- 2 CREATE TWO LATINO SUPERVISOR DISTRICTS WHILE KEEPING A
- 3 COMPETITIVE AFRICAN-AMERICAN DISTRICT. A FULLY REPRESENTED
- 4 DEMOCRACY SHOULD REFLECT THE DIVERSITY, ASPIRATIONS AND NEEDS
- 5 OF ITS CONSTITUENTS THAT IS BEING SERVED BY THE ELECTED BODY,
- 6 THEREFORE WE ASK THAT YOU COMPLY WITH THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT
- 7 AND SUPPORT EITHER T-1 OR S-2 MAP PROPOSALS. THANK YOU VERY
- 8 MUCH FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION.

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- 10 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. DASH STOLARZ? DASH? MARIA
- 11 MALDONADO? RICARDO MUNOZ? RICARDO MUNOZ? RAMONA MURANA? DARRYL
- 12 SMITH? DARRYL SMITH? MARIA OCHOA? MARIA OCHOA? OKAY. YES, SIR.
- 13 YOU'RE NEXT.

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- 15 JESSI AMAYA: HELLO. MY NAME IS JESSI AMAYA. I'M A STUDENT
- 16 WHICH REPRESENTS LA CAUSA YOUTH OF EAST LOS ANGELES AND WE
- 17 REPRESENT GLORIA MOLINA. WE SUPPORT 1-T AND S-2 MAP. PLEASE
- 18 SUPPORT US. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

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- 20 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. ARTHUR NISSMAN. ARTHUR
- 21 NISSMAN. YES, SIR. WHOEVER.

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23 ABELINO PABLO: (SPANISH).



- 1 INTERPRETER: GOOD AFTERNOON. MARTIN LUTHER KING AND CESAR
- 2 CHAVEZ, THEY BELIEVED IN THE PEOPLE. GLORIA MOLINA IS --
- 3 PEOPLE WHO ARE VENDORS ON SIXTH STREET. WE SUPPORT T-1 AND S-
- 4 2. WE APPRECIATE GLORIA MOLINA, LATINOS ARE EXPANDING AND
- 5 WORKING TOGETHER (SPANISH) -- THIS COUNTRY AND THIS CITY AND
- 6 TO FIGHT FOR OUR COUNTRY AND OUR CITY. THANK YOU. ABELINO
- 7 PABLO.

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9 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: AND WHO'S NEXT? IDENTIFY YOURSELF PLEASE?

- 11 ROBERT ZARDENETA: MY NAME IS ROBERT ZARDENETA, I'M THE
- 12 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF LA CAUSA YOUTH BUILD IN EAST LOS
- 13 ANGELES. AND I'M HERE TODAY TO SUPPORT SUPERVISOR MOLINA'S T-1
- 14 AND SUPERVISOR RIDLEY THOMAS'S S-2 PLANS AND I VEHEMENTLY
- 15 OPPOSE A-3. AT LA CAUSA WE TEACH OUR STUDENTS THE IMPORTANCE
- 16 OF REVISING HISTORY AND WE TEACH THEM ALSO THE DANGERS OF
- 17 RELIVING HISTORY. ON THAT NOTE, TO PARAPHRASE PRESIDENT OBAMA,
- 18 THIS ISSUE ISN'T AN ISSUE OF RACIAL WARFARE, IT'S SIMPLY AN
- 19 ISSUE OF MATH, RIGHT? SO 48 PERCENT IS 48 PERCENT. ONE-FIFTH
- 20 OF LATINOS BEING REPRESENTED ON A BOARD IS STILL 20 PERCENT,
- 21 RIGHT? SO AS A GRADUATE OF GARFIELD HIGH SCHOOL AND A STUDENT
- 22 OF JAIME ESCALANTE, MY MATH'S PRETTY GOOD, I THINK.
- 23 [LAUGHTER.] SO IT'S IMPORTANT FOR OUR COMMUNITY'S LEADERSHIP
- 24 TO REFLECT THE YOUNG LEADERS IN OUR COMMUNITY. AND AS AN
- 25 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, IF I WAS TO PROPOSE A PROPOSAL TO THE



- 1 COUNTY FOR FUNDING USING 20-YEAR-OLD CENSUS DATA, I DON'T
- 2 THINK IT WOULD BE, YOU KNOW, OBVIOUSLY IT WOULDN'T BE
- 3 ACCEPTABLE. SO I SUPPORT T-1 AND S-2. THANK YOU.

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- 5 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. LET ME CALL UP
- 6 FRANK ANGEL. MARIA OCHOA, ANNA OLIVARES, LYNN PLEMBECK? MARIA
- 7 RAMIREZ. OBDULIA ROBLES. JERRY SAUNDERS. JERRY SAUNDERS.
- 8 ALEXIA TERAN. ALEXIA TERAN. DANNY AGUILAR? DANNY AGUILAR?
- 9 MORALES ANAISA? ANAISA? MARIA ANDOAGA? YES, MA'AM.

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- 11 DASH STOLARZ: HI, GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS DASH STOLARZ AND
- 12 I'M A 20-YEAR RESIDENT OF THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS PORTION
- 13 OF WOODLAND HILLS WHICH IS ONE OF THE COMMUNITIES THAT WOULD
- 14 BE DISPLACED AND UNDERREPRESENTED BY THE T-1 PLAN. THE SANTA
- 15 MONICA MOUNTAINS ARE A PRECIOUS REGIONAL RESOURCE THAT WE WORK
- 16 VERY HARD TO PROTECT FOR EVERYONE. THE MOUNTAINS WILL BE
- 17 SEVERELY AND NEGATIVELY IMPACTED BY THE T-1 PLAN. MY COMMUNITY
- 18 AND OUR MOUNTAINS NEED TO BE FAIRLY REPRESENTED AT THE COUNTY
- 19 LEVEL. I URGE YOU TO VOTE IN FAVOR OF A-3 AMENDED AND SUPPORT
- 20 COMMUNITY REPRESENTATION OF THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS.

- 22 RICARDO MUNOZ: I'M RICARDO MUNOZ. I'M A FORMER -- I'M RETIRED
- 23 PRESIDING ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE WITH THE STATE OF
- 24 CALIFORNIA. I'M HERE BASICALLY TO ENCOURAGE YOU TO EXERCISE
- 25 YOUR INTELLECT, YOUR WISDOM, YOUR COURAGE AND BE INSPIRED A



- 1 BIT BY OUR FIRST PRESIDENT, GEORGE WASHINGTON, WHO WAS A
- 2 PERSON WHO WOULD RELINQUISH POWER. HE WAS A PERSON WHO WAS A
- 3 GREAT MODEL IN HISTORY FOR ALL NATIONS IN THAT REGARD. AND I
- 4 UNDERSTAND THAT THERE WOULD BE A RELINOUISHING OF POWER WHEN
- 5 CHANGES ARE MADE TO THE STATUS QUO. SO THIS IS WHAT I'M
- 6 ASKING. YOU NEED TO TAKE INTO ACCOUNT THE VOTERS RIGHTS LAW
- 7 WHEN YOU MAKE YOUR DECISION AND YOU NEED TO SEE HOW THAT WORKS
- 8 WITH YOUR OUTCOME.

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- 10 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SIR. LET ME ALSO
- 11 CALL UP RUBEN HERNANDEZ, RUBEN HERNANDEZ AND LETICIA ANDRADE.
- 12 YES, ANGEL.

- 14 FRANK ANGEL: GOOD AFTERNOON MR. MAYOR. FRAN ANGEL, SANTA
- 15 MONICA CALIFORNIA. I'M A PUBLIC INTEREST LITIGATOR FIGHTING
- 16 AMONG OTHER THING FOR PUBLIC ACCESS FOR ALL FOR THE COUNTY'S
- 17 BEAUTIFUL SHORELINE. I APPLAUDED MALDEF 20 YEARS AGO. THEIR
- 18 VOTING RIGHTS ACT LAWSUIT WAS BADLY NEEDED THEN BUT THIS IS
- 19 NOW. THAT WAS THEN. THIS IS NOW. NOW IN L.A. COUNTY YOU GAIN
- 20 ACCESS TO ELECTED OFFICE REGARDLESS OF THE COLOR OF YOUR SKIN.
- 21 THE COURTS OF THE 21ST CENTURY WILL NOT BE SYMPATHETIC TO
- 22 GERRYMANDERING RACE-BASED VOTING DISTRICTS THAT DO NOTHING BUT
- 23 SUPPRESS THE COMMON INTERESTS AND ASPIRATIONS OF A DIVERSE,
- 24 RACIALLY INTEGRATED ELECTORATE WHILE PLAYING UP DIFFERENCES
- 25 BASED ON NOTHING BUT THE COLOR OF ONE'S SKIN. THE U.S. SUPREME



- 1 COURT'S OPINION IN SHAW VERSUS REED IS THE HANDWRITING ON THE
- 2 WALL. IN THE COURT'S WORDS, AND I QUOTE "RACIAL
- 3 GERRYMANDERING, EVEN FOR REMEDIAL PURPOSES MAY BALKANIZE US
- 4 INTO COMPETING RACIAL FACTIONS, WHICH THREATENS TO CARRY US
- 5 FURTHER FROM THE GOAL OF A POLITICAL SYSTEM WHERE RACE DOES
- 6 NOT MATTER."

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8 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. YES, MA'AM.

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- 10 ALEXIA TERAN: YES. GOOD AFTERNOON. THANK YOU FOR THIS TIME. MY
- 11 NAME IS ALEXIA TERAN. I'M A COMMISSIONER OF A COMMISSION ON
- 12 DISABILITY. I ALSO REPRESENT AS BOARD MEMBER THE, THE GREATER
- 13 -- COUNCIL AND AS SUCH HAVE TO LISTEN TO THE MAJORITY OF THE
- 14 STAKEHOLDERS. RIGHT NOW MORE OR LESS WE HAVE ABOUT 20,000. MY
- 15 COMMUNITY'S VERY SMALL BUT WE STILL HAVE TO DO THAT. RIGHT NOW
- 16 WE THE LATINOS ARE NOT 48 PERCENT. SO THEREFORE WE ARE THE
- 17 MAJORITY I HAVE A FEW SIGNATURES THAT I COLLECTED IF I MAY
- 18 TURN IT IN, PLEASE. WE'RE IN SUPPORT OF T-1 AND S-2. THANK YOU
- 19 VERY MUCH.

- 21 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. BEFORE I ASK YOU TO SPEAK
- 22 MR. HERNANDEZ LET ME ALSO CALL UP LETICIA ANDRADE, ANGELA
- 23 ARELLANO, TERESA AVALOS, LYDIA AVILA, STEPHANIE AYALA? CARL
- 24 BERQUIST? MARIA BRENES? VICTOR CABALLERO? VALENTINA CARRANZA?
- 25 CHRISTIAN CEDILLO? MR. HERNANDEZ?



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- 2 RUBEN HERNANDEZ: MY NAME IS RUBEN HERNANDEZ AND I'M THE
- 3 FOUNDER OF UNIFICATION OF DISABLED LATIN AMERICANS. AND I'M
- 4 HERE TO SUPPORT S-2 AND T-1. THE REASON IS THIS, SUPERVISORS.
- 5 THIS IS NOT ABOUT RACE. IT'S NOT. IT'S NOT. IT'S ABOUT
- 6 FAIRNESS. FAIR GOVERNMENT BRINGS GOOD TO EVERYONE IN THE
- 7 COUNTY. FAIRNESS. THAT'S THE ONLY THING THAT I ASK. BECAUSE I
- 8 HAVE BEEN FOR MANY, MANY YEARS, ALMOST 100 YEARS, A CAREGIVER
- 9 AND COMMUNITY ORGANIZER. AND WHEN I GO TO A COMMUNITY, I DON'T
- 10 SEE ANYONE'S RACE. I SEE PEOPLE IN NEED. BUT WE NEED TO PAY
- 11 ATTENTION TO THE NUMBERS. IF THE NUMBERS SAYS 48, IT'S BECAUSE
- 12 IT'S 48. IT'S NOT MY NUMBER. IT'S THE NUMBERS OF THE CENSUS.
- 13 SO PLEASE, FAIR GOVERNMENT IS A GOOD GOVERNMENT. THAT'S THE
- 14 ONLY THING THAT WE ASK. FAIRNESS, FAIRNESS, FAIRNESS. THANK
- 15 YOU VERY MUCH.

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- 17 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU, SIR. LET ME ALSO CALL UP
- 18 MARISELA CERVANTES, ERENDIDA CERVANTES, JOEL CHAVEZ? ANA
- 19 CUBAS? ANDREA CUX? BLANCA DUENAS? ROSAURA RAMIREZ? L. REFUGIO?
- 20 JIM ROMAN? WILLIAM SANCHEZ? ROSY SANTANA? LEONARD SCHAEFFER.
- 21 TANYA STAREVICH? RAFAEL SOLIS? PAULO VELASQUEZ? WHY DON'T YOU
- 22 GO? WE'LL CALL SOME MORE. YEAH, YOU WERE NEXT. YEAH.

- 24 CARL BERQUIST: THANK YOU. MY NAME IS CARL BERQUIST AND I
- 25 REPRESENT THE COALITION FOR HUMANE IMMIGRANT RIGHTS OF LOS



- 1 ANGELES. WE ARE IN STRONG SUPPORT OF T-1 AND S-2 TODAY. THIS
- 2 IS THE YEAR 2011. THE EYES OF THE NATION ARE UPON US.
- 3 CALIFORNIA SHOULD BE LEADING THE UNITED STATES AND LOS ANGELES
- 4 COUNTY, THEIR LARGEST COUNTY IN THE UNITED STATES SHOULD BE
- 5 LEADING US AND EMBRACING CHANGE AND ADAPTING TO IT, NOT
- 6 CLINGING TO THE STATUS QUO. THIS IS NOT CHANGE FOR CHANGE
- 7 SAKE. THIS IS CHANGE FOR THE SAKE OF FAIRNESS AND FOR
- 8 DEMOCRATIC ACCOUNTABILITY. I WOULD SUGGEST TO YOU THAT
- 9 COMMUNITIES OF INTEREST AND THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS ARE
- 10 STRONG AND DYNAMIC ENOUGH TO ADAPT TO THIS CHANGE. WE URGE THE
- 11 SUPERVISORS TO TAKE THE CENSUS NUMBERS SERIOUSLY AND THE
- 12 VOTING RIGHTS ACT SERIOUSLY AND VOTE FOR T-1 AND S-2. THANK
- 13 YOU.

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- 15 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU, SIR. LET ME CALL UP ROMELIA
- 16 VENTURA? ARTURO JIMINEZ. NICOLE CHASE? ALFONSAN VILLANUEVA?
- 17 JONADI GURIVICH? JONADI GURIVICH? JOSEFINA LOPEZ? YES, MA'AM.

- 19 MARIA BRENES: GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS MARIA BRENES. I AM
- 20 THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF INTERCITY STRUGGLE AND I AM HERE
- 21 REPRESENTING HUNDREDS OF YOUNG PEOPLE AND PARENTS FROM EAST
- 22 LOS ANGELES. AND I'M HERE TO OPPOSE A-3 AND SUPPORT S-2 AND T-
- 23 1 MAPS. THE YOUNG PEOPLE WE HAVE INFORMED ABOUT THIS ISSUE ARE
- 24 SHOCKED THAT THE HISTORY OF EXCLUSION OF LATINO VOTERS IS
- 25 REPEATING ITSELF IN MODERN DAY L.A. COUNTY. WE ARE CONCERNED



- 1 THAT IF A-3 IS APPROVED, IT WILL CREATE A CHILLING EFFECT IN
- 2 OUR COMMUNITY, SENDING A MESSAGE THAT LATINO VOTERS DO NOT
- 3 MATTER AND THE OPPOSITE IS TRUE. WE ASK YOU TO HONOR THAT
- 4 FACT. A-3 PACKS THE LARGEST CONCENTRATION OF LATINOS INTO ONE
- 5 DISTRICT, THAT IS A VIOLATION OF THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT, AND IT
- 6 WILL DILUTE THE VOTE OF LATINOS. BECAUSE RACIALLY-POLARIZED
- 7 VOTING CONTINUES TODAY IN THE EAST SIDE OF LOS ANGELES, A
- 8 SIGNIFICANT PORTION OF NONMINORITY VOTERS DID NOT VOTE FOR A
- 9 QUALIFYING LATINO. WE WILL CONTINUE TO DEMAND JUSTICE.

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11 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. YES, MA'AM.

- 13 MARISELA CERVANTES: GOOD AFTERNOON, MAYOR ANTONOVICH AND
- 14 SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS MARISELA CERVANTES. I CURRENTLY LIVE
- 15 IN THE CITY OF NORWALK, AND IN FACT FOUR GENERATIONS OF MY
- 16 FAMILY CALLED THE FOURTH SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT HOME IN THE
- 17 NEIGHBORING CITIES OF DOWNEY, PARAMOUNT WHERE I GREW UP,
- 18 BELLFLOWER AND LONG BEACH. I AM HERE TO EXPRESS MY OPPOSITION
- 19 TO THE A-3 MAPS BEFORE YOU TODAY. FIRST, THEY FAIL TO
- 20 ACKNOWLEDGE THE DEMOGRAPHIC CHANGE IN THE SOUTHEASTERN PORTION
- 21 OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY THAT MY FAMILY HAS BEEN A PART OF FOR
- 22 OVER 40 YEARS. SECOND, THE A-3 MAP IS DESIGNED SPECIFICALLY TO
- 23 CONTROL AN ELECTORAL OUTCOME AND NOT ACTUALLY DEAL WITH THE
- 24 COMPLEX POLICY ISSUES THAT FACE OUR REGION AND OUR COUNTY. MY
- 25 OWN EXPERIENCE, ADVANCING QUALITY OF LIFE POLICY ISSUES FOR



1 THE STATE LEGISLATURE, LOCAL GOVERNMENTS IN THE LOS ANGELES

2 UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT TELLS ME THAT THERE IS A BETTER WAY --

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- 4 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. THANK YOU, MA'AM.
- 5 YES MA'AM?

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- 7 MARISELA CERVANTES: T-1 AND D-2 BETTER REPRESENT THOSE. THANK
- 8 YOU.

- 10 NICOLE CHASE: GOOD AFTERNOON MAYOR ANTONOVICH, SUPERVISOR
- 11 YAROSLAVSKY AND TO ALL THE SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS NICOLE
- 12 CHASE AND I'M FROM THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY AND I WORK WITH THE
- 13 BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB OF THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY. THE SAN
- 14 FERNANDO VALLEY AND COMMUNITIES THROUGHOUT LOS ANGELES COUNTY
- 15 SHOULD NOT BE UNFAIRLY DIVIDED BY REDISTRICTING PLANS S-2 OR
- 16 T-1, WHICH I OPPOSE. THE COLOR OF YOUR SKIN OR THE LANGUAGE
- 17 YOU SPEAK DOES NOT MAKE A COMMUNITY. WHEN FAMILIES MOVE OR
- 18 RELOCATE TO VARIOUS AREAS OR COMMUNITIES THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY
- 19 OF LOS ANGELES, THEY WANT THE BENEFITS OF THAT AREA FOR THEIR
- 20 FAMILIES, BE IT WORK, EDUCATION, LOCAL GOVERNANCE, GOVERNANCE
- 21 IN THIS CASE THAT HAS PROVEN TO WORK, A LEADERSHIP THAT WORKS,
- 22 THAT SUPPORTS THE COMMUNITY. AS WE ALL KNOW, THE 1965 VOTING
- 23 RIGHTS ACT CREATED A PATHWAY FOR CITIZENS REGARDLESS OF THEIR
- 24 ETHNIC BACKGROUNDS TO HAVE A VOICE IN LOCAL AND STATE
- 25 GOVERNMENT. THE ACT ADDRESSES THE IMPORTANCE OF FAIRNESS,



- 1 DIVERSITY AND A REPRESENTATIVE VOICE IN GOVERNMENT. THIS IS
- 2 NOT THE CASE WITH REGARDS TO THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
- 3 REDISTRICTING ISSUE. WE HAVE DIVERSITY AMONG OUR ELECT
- 4 OFFICIALS AND I'M HOPING TODAY THAT EVEN THE OFFICIALS BEFORE
- 5 ME HAVE THAT SAME DIVERSITY. THANK YOU.

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- 7 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. MICHAEL BACLACHUCK,
- 8 MICHAEL. IVORY BROWN, IVORY BROWN. SAMANTHA JOHNSON. SAMANTHA
- 9 JOHNSON. TOCINA LOPEZ. MICHELLE ARCE. I BELIEVE SHE ALREADY
- 10 SPOKE. JESSE AMAYA. JESSE AMAYA. YES.

- 12 ARTURO JIMENEZ: MY NAME IS ARTURO JIMENEZ. I'M THE PRESIDENT
- 13 OF LAGUNA TECH AND ALSO A PLANNING COMMISSIONER FOR THE CITY
- 14 OF POMONA. I'M HERE IN MY CAPACITY AS A MEMBER OF POMONA
- 15 HABLA, POMONA SPEAKS, A COALITION OF CONSTITUENCY-BASED
- ORGANIZATIONS AND WE'RE HERE IN SUPPORT OF T-1 AND S-2 AND ASK
- 17 YOU TO REJECT A-3. I ALSO WANT TO REGISTER MY DISAPPOINTMENT
- 18 IN LISTENING. IN TODAY'S HEARING, I'VE BEEN HERE FOR HOURS AND
- 19 I'VE BEEN LISTENING TO THE A-3 PEOPLE ARE GETTING MORE TIME
- 20 THAN THE T-1 AND S-2 PEOPLE. SO I WANTED TO REGISTER MY
- 21 DISAPPOINTMENT THAT THE CHAIR IS ALLOWING THAT TO HAPPEN.
- 22 MOVING ON, I'VE LISTENED FOR A LONG TIME AND I'VE LISTENED TO
- 23 A LOT OF -- OF HATE THAT FOSTER FEAR OF LATINO LEADERSHIP.
- 24 I'VE LISTENED TO A-3 SUPPORTERS USE THREAT APPALLING WORDS
- 25 SUCH AS -- OR RACE, UNCERTAINTIES, WRONG, LATINO LEADERSHIP



- 1 WOULD BE RADICAL, LATINO LEADERSHIP WOULD BE BAD FOR THE
- 2 ENVIRONMENT. THE ENVIRONMENT WOULD SUFFER.

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- 4 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SIR. THANK YOU.
- 5 YES, MA'AM? YOU'RE NEXT. OKAY. ONE OF THE TWO. DOESN'T MATTER.

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- 7 ALFONSO VILLANUEVA: MY NAME IS ALFONSO VILLANUEVA AND I'M
- 8 CHAIRPERSON OF THE GABRIELINO -- HISTORIC PRESERVATION
- 9 COMMITTEE IN POMONA VALLEY. I HONOR BOTH -- ALL OF YOU
- 10 SUPERVISORS TODAY. LIKE TO ADMONISH ALL THE PEOPLE THAT SEEM
- 11 TO INDICATE THAT MOTHER EARTH BELONGS TO HUMANS. NO. WE BELONG
- 12 TO MOTHER EARTH. IT'S NOT ABOUT THE LOVE OF POWER BUT IT'S
- 13 ABOUT THE POWER OF LOVE AND SO WE SUPPORT S-1, S-2 AND T-1 AND
- 14 OPPOSE A-3 AS A NATIVE AMERICAN COMMUNITY IN COLLABORATION AND
- 15 SUPPORT OF OUR LATINO BROTHERS BECAUSE IT'S ALL ABOUT WORKING
- 16 TOWARDS THE COMMON GOOD. AND IF YOU VOTE FOR A-3, YOU WILL BE
- 17 DENYING THE DIGNITY OF A PEOPLE, FIRST NATIONS PEOPLE AND YOU
- 18 WILL ALSO BE VIOLATING FEDERAL LAW, SO WE HOPE THAT YOU WORK
- 19 FOR THE COMMON GOOD. THANK YOU.

- 21 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU SIR. LET ME ALSO CALL UP
- 22 ESTHER VALDEZ, ESTHER? JAMES ROJAS. JAMES ROJAS. VICTORIA
- 23 NORWOOD. LYNN REMBERT. CLAUDIA REYES. CLAUDIA REYES. JOEL
- 24 RUCKER. I THINK HE SPOKE. JOE RUCKER. ADRIENNE SHEFF. ADRIENNE
- 25 SHEFF? MARK VANESET? PABLO AGUILAR? JOANN AREBALO? JESSIG



- 1 AVALOS. JOHN BELLAH? JOHN BELLAH? ROCIO CALEL. CALEL? ROCIO?
- 2 CATHY CHOI? CATHY CHOI? RITA GARCIA? I THINK SHE ALREADY
- 3 SPOKE. PAULA GERSHOY. PAULA GERSHOY. HELENE GETTY. AILEEN
- 4 GETTY? AILEEN GETTY? JOANNA GUNST. JOANNA GUNST. OKAY. YES,
- 5 MA'AM.

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- 7 JOSEFINA LOPEZ: I'M THE FOUNDER OF -- CULTURAL CENTER IN BOYLE
- 8 HEIGHTS. AND I AM HERE IN SUPPORT OF GLORIA MOLINA AND S-2 AND
- 9 T-1. I URGE YOU TO HAVE THE COURAGE TO DO WHAT YOU KNOW IN
- 10 YOUR HEART IS RIGHT. FOLLOW THE LAW. MAKE HISTORY AND WHO
- 11 KNOWS, YOU MIGHT EVEN MAKE HER STORY BY GETTING ANOTHER WOMAN
- 12 ON THIS BOARD. DO THE RIGHT THING. I'M HERE TO REMIND YOU THAT
- 13 LATINOS ARE AMERICANS TOO AND WE ARE HERE AS AMERICANS
- 14 DEMANDING OUR RIGHT TO BE REPRESENTED. OUR LIVES, OUR NUMBERS,
- 15 OUR DREAMS MATTER. -- AND YES, YOU CAN DO, MAKE HISTORY NOW.
- 16 THANK YOU.

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18 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: YES, SIR. THANK YOU.

- 20 IVORY BROWN: MY NAME IS IVORY BROWN, IVORY BROWN MEMORIAL
- 21 TEMPLE, CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST, AND THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF
- 22 PROJECT CARING AND SHARING, BOTH LOCATED IN THE CITY OF
- 23 POMONA. WE OPERATE VARIOUS PROGRAMS THAT OFTENTIMES SERVICES
- 24 CHILDREN FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES
- 25 AS WELL AS PROBATIONS. I AM IN SUPPORT OF T-1 AND S-2 MAPS.



- 1 REDISTRICTING FORCES US TO FACE REALITY. THE REALITY WE FACE
- 2 IS THAT THE POPULATION OF L.A. COUNTY HAS CHANGED SINCE THE
- 3 TIME THAT THE DISTRICT LINES WERE DRAWN ALMOST 20 YEARS AGO.
- 4 IN ORDER TO SERVE THE ENTIRE POPULATION, WE MUST HAVE
- 5 REPRESENTATION FOR THE ENTIRE POPULATION. WE CAN'T EXPECT TO
- 6 SOLVE THE PROBLEMS FACING OUR YOUTH TODAY WITH SOLUTIONS FROM
- 7 20 YEARS AGO. THIS ISSUE I SEE NOT AS A BROWN ISSUE, NOT AS A
- 8 BLACK ISSUE, NOT AS A WHITE ISSUE BUT AS A FAIRNESS ISSUE.
- 9 THANK YOU.

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- 11 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP MARCO
- 12 MARTINEZ, VICTOR CASTRO TREJON, MARIA FLORES. YES, MA'AM.

- 14 CATHY CHOI: THANK YOU ALL THE HONORABLE RESPECTABLE BOARD OF
- 15 DIRECTORS. THANK YOU FOR SERVING LOS ANGELES COUNTY. MY NAME
- 16 IS CATHY CHOI. I'M THE PRESIDENT OF A.A.R.P. CHINATOWN
- 17 CHAPTER. I'M ALSO THE STEERING COMMITTEE OF CALIFORNIA SENIOR
- 18 LEADERS ALLIANCE U.C. BERKELEY'S OFFICE OF PUBLIC
- 19 ADMINISTRATION. FIRST OF ALL, I WOULD LIKE TO BRING GOOD
- 20 BLESSINGS FROM MY FATHER WHO IS 98 YEARS OLD, ALSO A RESIDENT
- 21 OF L.A. COUNTY AND WHO WOULD LIKE EVERYONE HERE TO ENJOY THE
- 22 LONG AND HAPPY LIFE LIKE HIM IN L.A. COUNTY. IN THE PAST
- 23 DECADES, OUR DIVERSE COMMUNITIES, CAUCASIANS, HISPANICS,
- 24 A.P.I.S AND AFRICAN-AMERICANS, COMMITTEES HAVE BEEN SHARING
- 25 MANY COMMON INTERESTS TOGETHER HARMONIOUSLY. SO WE SHOULD



- 1 CONTINUE TO GO FORWARD HAND IN HAND TO ENJOY THE BEST QUALITY
- 2 OF OUR LIVES IN THIS DECADE. ON BEHALF OF A.P.I. COMMUNITIES,
- 3 AND A.A.R.P. CHINATOWN, I SUPPORT A-3 AND I WOULD LIKE TO LET
- 4 HONORABLES RESPECTABLES MOLINA KNOW THAT I LIKE HER -- STYLE.
- 5 THANK YOU.

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7 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: SANDRA RAMOS. SANDRA RAMOS? YES.

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- 9 PAULA GERSHOY: MY NAME IS PAULA GERSHOY. THANK YOU FOR
- 10 ALLOWING ME TO SPEAK TODAY. AS A RESIDENT AND HOMEOWNER IN
- 11 MALIBU FOR THE PAST 29 YEARS, I'M HERE TO OPPOSE T-1 AND S-2
- 12 AS TOO DISRUPTIVE TO THE COUNTY. I'M HERE TO SUPPORT A-3. THE
- 13 UNIQUE ENVIRONMENTAL AND FIRE SAFETY CONCERNS WITHIN THE SANTA
- 14 MONICA MOUNTAIN RANGE LENDS ITSELF TO THE CURRENT DISTRICT
- 15 LINES OF A-3 AS AMENDED. THANK YOU.

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- 17 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: ARTURO TORRES. ARTURO TORRES? DAN
- 18 HANRAHAN? DAN? MARGARET HEALY? MARGARET HEALY? ANITA KAPLAN?
- 19 ANITA KAPLAN? OKAY. YES, SIR? YES, MA'AM? WHOEVER. OKAY.

- 21 MARCO MARTINEZ: GOOD AFTERNOON, MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF THE
- 22 BOARD. MY NAME IS MARCO MARTINEZ. I AM THE DIRECTOR OF
- 23 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FROM SOUTH BAY CENTER FOR COMMUNITY
- 24 DEVELOPMENT AND I'M A HOMEOWNER IN WINDSOR HILLS VIEW PARK
- 25 AREA. I DO WANT TO ADD ONE THING FOR OUR LATINO BRETHREN HERE



- 1 [SPANISH] SO I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT FOR ALL OF US TO KNOW THAT
- 2 RACISM OR OPPRESSION OF ANY KIND IS NOT RIGHT AND THEREFORE I
- 3 HAPPEN TO THINK THAT I SUPPORT THE A-3 AMENDED AND HERE ARE MY
- 4 VIEWS ON IT. INDIVIDUALS HERE HAVE BEEN TALKING ABOUT M.L.K.
- 5 AND THEY'VE BEEN BRINGING THAT NAME UP BUT THE THING IS THAT
- 6 M.L.K. WAS IN SUPPORT OF IMMIGRATION AND A SOCIETY BUILT ON
- 7 THE DIVERSIFICATION OF VALUES. SO WHAT WE'RE SEEING BY T-1, S-
- 8 2, JUST GIVE US ONE OF OUR COLOR OR OUR BACKGROUND AND WE'RE
- 9 NOT GOING TO HOLD THEM ACCOUNTABLE, WE'RE GOING TO SAY, OH,
- 10 THAT IS FINE, THAT IS ALL WE NEED. AND I THINK THAT PEOPLE
- 11 SHOULD GET ORGANIZED AND THEY DESERVE OR THEY SHOULD EXPECT
- 12 MORE THAN THAT. THANK YOU.

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14 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU, SIR. LET ME ALSO ASK -- [

15 APPLAUSE] PLEASE, PLEASE. OKAY. YES, YES.

17 VICTOR CASTREJON: MY NAME IS VICTOR CASTREJON. I'M COMING FROM

- 18 THE CITY OF WILMINGTON AND I'M PART OF A PROGRAM, URBAN
- 19 TEACHER FELLOWSHIP, AND I WANT TO SAY I SUPPORT A-3. KNABE IS
- 20 DOING A GREAT JOB AS OUR DISTRICT SUPERVISOR. I THINK RACE IS
- 21 JUST A COLOR AND WHAT MATTERS IS WHO YOU ARE AND NOT THE COLOR
- 22 YOU ARE. THANKS TO KNABE FOR FUNDING MY PROGRAM AND I'M OFF
- 23 THE STREETS AND I'M NOT DOING -- I'M DOING SOMETHING THAT IS
- 24 BETTERING MY LIFE AND I JUST WANT TO SAY THAT I THINK WE'RE



- 1 PUTTING REDISTRICTING, LATINO DISTRICT IS NOT A GOOD IDEA AND
- 2 SUPPORT A-3.

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- 4 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP SERGIO
- 5 VASQUEZ, SR. SERGIO VASQUEZ, SR. YES, MA'AM.

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- 7 LINDA RAMOS: HELLO. MY NAME IS LINDA RAMOS AND I AM HERE
- 8 REPRESENTING THE LATINO COMMUNITY IN THE SOUTH BAY AREA. DON
- 9 KNABE HAS BEEN NOTHING BUT A GREAT SUPPORTER OF THE WORK I DO
- 10 WHICH IS WORK IN SUPPORT, DIVERSE POPULATION OF YOUTH ON A
- 11 DAILY BASIS, PRIMARILY LATINO. HE HAS DONE NOTHING BUT
- 12 PROVIDED MY COMMUNITY WITH OPTIONS AND OPPORTUNITIES WHICH IS
- 13 SOMETHING I HIGHLY VALUE. KEEPING THAT DIVERSITY INTACT IN OUR
- 14 COMMUNITY IS A MUST. I GREW UP IN A VERY DIVERSE COMMUNITY AND
- 15 POPULATION AND I WOULD LIKE TO KEEP IT THAT WAY AND FOR THAT
- 16 REASON I AM A HUGE, HUGE SUPPORTER OF THE A-3 MAP. THANK YOU.

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- 18 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. IS DIANE PORCHIA? BLANCA
- 19 FLORES? BLANCA FLORES? DAVID FLORES? DAVID FLORES? ADINE
- 20 FOREMEN? CATHERINE GRASCO? CATHERINE GRASCO? AMANDA GUZMAN
- 21 PEREZ? JULIA JUAREZ? MARCY CASS? EMMA MEZZA. EMMA? JONATHAN
- 22 NIH. JONATHAN? MARIA PARITAS. OKAY. YES?

- 24 SERGIO VASQUEZ, DR.: GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS SERGIO
- 25 VASQUEZ, SR. I'VE BEEN A RESIDENT OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY SINCE



- 1 1962 AND A STEADY EMPLOYEE FOR OVER 30 YEARS WITH THE
- 2 COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY. I'M HERE TO EXPRESS MY
- 3 OPPOSITION OF A-3 AND MY FULL SUPPORT OF T-1 AND S-2. I ASK
- 4 THAT YOU FOLLOW THE NUMBERS AND VOTE YOUR CONSCIENCE AND THAT
- 5 YOU VOTE AFFIRMATIVELY. THANK YOU.

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- 7 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU, SIR. ARNOLD SACHS. ARNOLD
- 8 SACHS. VIRGINIA SANTOS? VIRGINIA SANTOS? VANESSA RODRIGUEZ.
- 9 HUGO GARCIA. JOHN SHAFFEY. VICTOR DURAN? VICTOR DURAN? OKAY.
- 10 YES?

- 12 DAN HANRAHAN: HONORABLE SUPERVISORS, MY NAME IS DAN HANRAHAN,
- 13 I'M A LONG-TIME TOPANGA RESIDENT AND COMMUNITY VOLUNTEER. I
- 14 OPPOSE T-1, S-2. TOPANGA ASSOCIATION, WITH ITS SURROUNDING
- 15 COMMUNITIES, VALLEYS AND BEACHES, IS A HARMONIOUS SYMBIOTIC
- 16 RELATIONSHIP WHOSE SUPPORTIVE, COLLABORATIVE AND UNITED EFFORT
- 17 HAS FOR MANY YEARS ENSURED THE SAFETY, SOCIAL AND ECONOMICAL
- 18 PROGRAMS WE COMMONLY SHARE. KEEPING US UNITED WITH OUR
- 19 NEIGHBORHOODS, AND CITIES WILL CONTINUE TO GIVE US THE ABILITY
- 20 TO SHARE OUR ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERNS, COMMUNITY CONSCIOUSNESS
- 21 AND EDUCATIONAL COMMITMENTS. MAPS T-1 AND S-2 PULL THOSE
- 22 COMMUNITIES APART AND GEOGRAPHICALLY MISALIGN AREAS OF COMMON
- 23 INTERESTS, PUTTING 3-1/2 MILLION PEOPLE INTO DISTRICTS WHERE
- 24 THEY DID NOT VOTE FOR THEIR SUPERVISORS. THE 1991 AND 2000



- 1 DISTRICTS PLAN HAVE PROVEN TO BE VERY SUCCESSFUL. DON'T PUT
- 2 THAT SUCCESS IN JEOPARDY BY SUPPORTING T-1. VOTE FOR A-3.

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4 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU, SIR. YES, SIR.

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- 6 ART TORRES: GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS ART TORRES AND I'M FROM
- 7 SAN PEDRO. I'M A LATINO AND I DON'T BELIEVE THAT WE NEED
- 8 REDISTRICTING TO BE HEARD AS A LATINO. THAT IS WHY I SUPPORT
- 9 PLAN A-3. I ATTENDED ENERGY PATHWAY PROGRAM AND SOUTH WAY
- 10 CENTER FOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT THAT SUPERVISOR DON KNABE
- 11 SUPPORTS AND HELPS FUND. DON KNABE HAS PARTNERED WITH DIVERSE
- 12 GROUPS OF PEOPLE TO IMPROVE THE OUALITY OF LIFE IN OUR
- 13 NEIGHBORHOOD AND THIS PROGRAM HAS GIVEN ME A SECOND CHANCE TO
- 14 BECOME SOMEONE AND GET AHEAD IN LIFE. IT IS A PROGRAM THAT HAS
- 15 TAUGHT ME NEW SKILLS TO GET NEW CAREER AND A NEW START IN LIFE
- 16 DUE TO THE ECONOMIC DOWNFALL. WITHOUT DON KNABE, THIS PROGRAM
- 17 WOULD NOT BE POSSIBLE. BY REDISTRICTING, PROGRAMS LIKE THIS,
- 18 THEY WOULD BE LOST. THAT IS WHY I BELIEVE THAT IT IS WRONG TO
- 19 SPLIT COMMUNITIES WHICH HAVE COLLABORATED WITH EACH OTHER FOR
- 20 OVER 20 YEARS ON ISSUES AND PROGRAMS THAT ARE IMPORTANT TO ALL
- 21 OF US. THANK YOU.

- 23 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP DANETTE
- 24 ERICKSON, DANETTE ERICKSON, CRESCENTA VALLEY TOWN COUNCIL.



- 1 PATRICIA FERMAN. PATRICIA FERMAN? ARTURO GARCIA? ARTURO
- 2 GARCIA? REUBEN GALVAN? REUBEN GALVAN? OKAY. YES?

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- 4 AMANDA GUZMAN-PEREZ: YES. GOOD AFTERNOON. AMANDA GUZMAN-PEREZ.
- 5 I SERVE AS THE DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY SERVICES FOR BIENVENIDOS
- 6 CHILDREN'S CENTER IN EAST L.A. THIS IS AN ORGANIZATION THAT
- 7 PROVIDES SERVICES TO THOUSANDS OF YOUR CONSTITUENTS THROUGHOUT
- 8 L.A. COUNTY. AND WE'RE HERE IN SUPPORT OF T-1, SUPPORTING
- 9 SUPERVISOR MOLINA, GLORIA MOLINA. SHE HAS DONE AN EXCELLENT
- 10 JOB NOT ONLY AS A SUPERVISOR BUT AS A LATINA AND WE NEED MORE
- 11 REPRESENTATION OF LATINOS ON THIS BOARD WITH ALL DUE RESPECT
- 12 TO EVERYBODY ELSE. BUT AS TIME HAS CHANGED WE NEED CHANGE IN
- 13 THIS COUNTY. THANK YOU.

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15 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU, MA'AM. YES?

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- 17 VIRGINIA SANTOS: GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS VIRGINIA SANTOS.
- 18 I'M AN ORAL HEALTH EDUCATOR. I LIVE IN DISTRICT FOUR BUT I
- 19 HAVE WORKED AND TAUGHT FOR MORE THAN 40 YEARS IN DISTRICT ONE.
- 20 AND I WANT YOU TO KNOW, SUPERVISOR MOLINA, THAT YOU HAVE BEEN
- 21 SUCH A ROLE MODEL FOR MY STUDENTS AND WE NEED MORE
- 22 REPRESENTATION AND I'M IN FAVOR OF T-1. THANK YOU.

- 24 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP AMINTA
- 25 GUILLON, AMINTA. BERNARDO GONZALEZ. BERNARDO GONZALEZ. YES.



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- 2 VANESSA RODRIGUEZ: GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS VANESSA
- 3 RODRIGUEZ. AND I'M THE ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR WITH ALLIANCE FOR A
- 4 BETTER COMMUNITY. AND I'M HERE TO STRONGLY URGE ALL MEMBERS OF
- 5 THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO DO WHAT'S RIGHT FOR ITS
- 6 CITIZENS AND OPPOSE THE A-3 PLAN AND ADOPT T-1 OR S-2 AS
- 7 MANDATED BY THE FEDERAL VOTING RIGHTS ACT. FOR OVER 10 YEARS,
- 8 A.B.C. HAS FOUGHT FOR THE RIGHTS OF LATINOS IN HEALTH
- 9 EDUCATION AND CIVIC ENGAGEMENT. DURING THAT SAME TIME, WE HAVE
- 10 WITNESSED LATINO POPULATION GROW TO ALMOST HALF THE RESIDENTS
- 11 OF L.A. COUNTY, YET WE STILL DO NOT HAVE EQUAL REPRESENTATION
- 12 ON THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. IT IS REPREHENSIBLE THAT
- 13 POLITICAL INTERESTS HAVE TRUMPED WHAT IS JUST AND FAIR. THE
- 14 ALLIANCE FOR A BETTER COMMUNITY WOULD LIKE TO RESPECTFULLY
- 15 REMIND OUR HONORABLE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS THAT THEY WERE
- 16 ELECTED TO REPRESENT THE INTERESTS AND NEEDS OF RESIDENTS OF
- 17 LOS ANGELES COUNTY. BY ADOPTING A-3, YOU'LL BE MAINTAINING THE
- 18 STATUS OUO AND CONTINUE TO DENY HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF
- 19 RESIDENTS WITH JUST AND FAIR REPRESENTATION. IT WOULD NOT ONLY
- 20 WEAKEN OUR DEMOCRATIC PROCESS BUT YOU'D BE FAILING AT THE JOBS
- 21 YOU WERE ELECTED TO DO. AS A DEDICATED ADVOCATE, WE WOULD LIKE
- 22 TO AGAIN ASK FOR YOU ALL TO DO WHAT'S RIGHT AND OPPOSE THE A-3
- 23 PLAN. THANK YOU.



- 1 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. LET ME CALL UP FIRST
- 2 SETHERY LEE, SETHERY LEE AND PAULA GONZALEZ. PAULA GONZALEZ.
- 3 EDGAR GRIFFIN. EDGAR GRIFFIN. RICHARD HERNANDEZ. RICHARD
- 4 HERNANDEZ. MARTHA JIMENEZ. MARTHA JIMENEZ. DAVID KOO. DAVID
- 5 KOO. FRED LANE. FRED LANE.

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- 7 DINETTE ERICKSON: GOOD AFTERNOON, MAYOR AND BOARD OF
- 8 SUPERVISORS. I AM DANETTE ERICKSON, ELECTED TO THE CRESCENTA
- 9 VALLEY TOWN COUNCIL. ON BEHALF OF THE 19,000 RESIDENTS OF THE
- 10 UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES OF LA CRESCENTA AND MONTROSE, THE
- 11 CRESCENTA VALLEY TOWN COUNCIL REQUESTS THAT THESE COMMUNITIES
- 12 REMAIN IN THE FIFTH SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT. WE ALSO SUPPORT
- 13 THE REDISTRICTING PLAN A-3. AS AN UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITY,
- 14 THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IS OUR LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND WE HAVE
- 15 ENJOYED WORKING WITH THE SAME COUNTY SUPERVISOR FOR OVER 22
- 16 YEARS. WE PRESENT THREE POINTS. ONE, PLAN A-3 REASSIGNS
- 17 277,000 PEOPLE, WHILE PLANS T-1 AND S-2 EACH REASSIGN OVER
- 18 THREE MILLION PEOPLE. POINT 2, PLAN A-3 DOES NOT FURTHER SPLIT
- 19 ANY COMMUNITIES WHILE THE OTHER PLANS NEWLY SPLIT 18 OR 19
- 20 OTHER COMMUNITIES. AND LASTLY, PLAN A-3 MOVES 12 MAJOR
- 21 FACILITIES WHILE THE OTHER PLANS EACH MOVE MORE THAN 100. AS
- 22 EVIDENCED DURING THE STATION FIRE AND THROUGHOUT THE FOLLOWING
- 23 TWO YEARS --



- 1 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU, DANETTE. THANK YOU. LET ME
- 2 ALSO CALL UP MARIA LOPEZ. MARIA LOPEZ. ENRIQUE MEDINA. ENRIQUE
- 3 MEDINA. ROCIO MENDOZA DNS. MARIA MERCADO. EDGAR MONREY. SANTOS
- 4 MORALES. SANTOS MORALES. MIGUEL MORALES. MIGUEL MORALES. OKAY.
- 5 YES.

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- 7 REUBEN GALVAN: HI. GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS REUBEN GALVAN.
- 8 I'M A RESIDENT OF BALDWIN PARK. I'M STUDENT FROM THE SAN
- 9 GABRIEL VALLEY CONSERVATION CORPS IN EL MONTE. IT'S A
- 10 NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION THAT HELPS TROUBLED YOUTH. I SUPPORT T-
- 11 1 AND S-2 BECAUSE OUR COMMUNITY NEEDS MORE SUPPORT AND NEEDS
- 12 THE COMMUNITY TO HEAR US AND HELP US OUT. T-1 AND S-2 MAPS ARE
- 13 VERY STRONG AND OUR GROUPS ARE TREATED STRONGLY. I'M HERE TO
- 14 URGE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO ADOPT THE T-1 AND S-2 MAPS.
- 15 EITHER MAP WOULD CREATE THE TWO LATINO OPPORTUNITY DISTRICTS
- 16 WHICH REPRESENT OUR REALITY. SOME CRITICS CLAIM THAT THOSE
- 17 MAPS PUT RACIAL GROUPS AGAINST EACH OTHER. I DISAGREE BECAUSE
- 18 THEY ARE ALLOWED ALL VOICES THAT HAVE HISTORICALLY BEEN
- 19 IGNORED TO SPEAK THEIR MIND. I WANT T-1 AND S-2 TO PASS SO
- 20 THAT OUR NONPROFIT SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY CAN CONTINUE TO BE
- 21 SUPPORTED AND MY DREAMS FOR A BETTER LIFE TO COME TRUE. THANK
- 22 YOU.

- 24 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. IS OSDELI OROZCO? OSDELI
- 25 OROZCO? WALTER OROZCO? WALTER OROZCO? MARIA LINA ORTIZ?



- 1 CAROLINA QUIROZ? JOHN LADNER? JOHN LADNER? NICKIE MINER?
- 2 NICKIE MINER? ROLENE NEVEJA. IRMA RESENDEZ. IRMA RESENDEZ
- 3 GEORGE ABRAHAMS? GEORGE ABRAHAMS? OKAY. YES. WHO IS NEXT?
- 4 OKAY. YES, MA'AM. OKAY. LADIES FIRST.

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- 6 MARTHA JIMENEZ: YES. MY NAME IS MARTHA JIMENEZ. I'M A VERY
- 7 PROUD CONSTITUENT OF SUPERVISOR GLORIA MOLINA IN THE CITY
- 8 TERRACE AREA. HONORABLE BOARD MEMBERS, TODAY IS A VERY
- 9 IMPORTANT DAY WHERE YOU MUST MAKE A DECISION ON REDISTRICTING
- 10 ALIGNED WITH THE VOTING RIGHTS ACTS, THE EQUAL PROTECTION
- 11 CLAUSE UNDER THE U.S. CONSTITUTION AND THE CALIFORNIA
- 12 CONSTITUTION. I STRONGLY OPPOSE, ALONG WITH MY COMMUNITY MAP
- 13 A-3 BECAUSE WE ARE LIVING UNDER A NEW CENTURY, A NEW REALITY
- 14 AND THE NEW FEDERAL U.S. CENSUS DATA REVEALS THE LATINOS HAVE
- 15 DEMOGRAPHICALLY GROWN IN THE LAST 10 YEARS AT THE L.A. COUNTY.
- 16 THEREFORE, SUCH FIGURES DEMAND ACCOUNTABILITY AND THE EMINENT
- 17 CREATION OF A SECOND SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT, SO MORE
- 18 CONSTITUENTS CAN CHOOSE THEIR OWN ELECTED OFFICIALS. MAP A-3
- 19 WOULD ARBITRARILY EXCLUDE THE POLITICAL COMMUNITY FROM THE
- 20 POLITICAL PROCESS.

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22 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU, MA'AM. THANK YOU. YES, SIR.

- 24 FRED LANE: GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS FRED LANE, I'M A SECOND
- 25 GENERATION BUSINESS OWNER UNDER SUPERVISOR MOLINA. I CAN FIRST



- 1 HAND ATTEST TO SOME OF THE WORK THAT MS. MOLINA HAS DONE IN
- 2 OUR COMMUNITY WITH EAST L.A. WORKS, A GREAT PROSPECT. IT'S
- 3 JUST A GREAT I GUESS ASSET TO THE COMMUNITY. SECOND OF ALL,
- 4 I'VE HEARD A LOT TODAY ABOUT DIFFERENT DEBATES ABOUT THE
- 5 MOUNTAINS, SUCH AND SUCH. BUT THE FACT IS THAT EVERYBODY HERE
- 6 LOVES THE COMMUNITY OF LOS ANGELES, AND WE'RE ALL HERE FOR ONE
- 7 PURPOSE TO MAKE THIS PLACE BETTER. MS. MOLINA HAS DONE THAT
- 8 JOB IN EAST L.A. THE LATINO HERITAGE AND PRIDE THAT NEEDS TO
- 9 BE REPRESENTED THROUGHOUT THIS BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND
- 10 THROUGHOUT L.A. COUNTY IS A NECESSITY. T-1 IS THE WAY TO GO.
- 11 WE MUST REALIZE THAT AS IT STANDS TODAY, LATINO NUMBERS ARE
- 12 THERE AND WE LOVE THIS COMMUNITY AS MUCH AS ANYBODY ELSE AND
- 13 ALL OF US WORK TOGETHER TO MAKE THIS PLACE A GREATER LOS
- 14 ANGELES. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

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16 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU SIR. ALSO DIANE PORCHIA.

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18 OSDELI OROZCO: GOOD EVENING, EVERYBODY.

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- 20 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: COULD I HAVE A TRANSLATOR, PLEASE?
- 21 TRANSLATOR?

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23 OSDELI OROZCO: (SPANISH)



- 1 INTERPRETER: GOOD AFTERNOON, EVERYONE. MY NAME IS OSDELI
- 2 OROZCO. I'M A REPRESENTATIVE OF SAN PEDRO FROM THE -- OF 6TH
- 3 AND WESTLAKE. AND FROM MY COMMUNITY FROM GUATEMALA FROM THE
- 4 SAME AREA. I'M HERE TO REPRESENT AND TO SUPPORT, T-1, S-T AND
- 5 I'M SAYING "NO" TO A-3. I WOULD ALSO LIKE TO SAY IN HONOR OF
- 6 ALL THE PEOPLE THAT I'M REPRESENTING, THANK YOU, GLORIA
- 7 MOLINA, FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP, FOR ALL THE WORK THAT YOU HAVE
- 8 DONE FOR THE LATINO COMMUNITY AND FOR ALL THE GENERAL LABOR.
- 9 AND TO TELL YOU THAT WE'RE WITH YOU TO WORK IN THINKING, IN
- 10 THINKING OF A BETTER FUTURE. ASKING OTHER PEOPLE WITH POWER
- 11 THIS AFTERNOON THAT WHATEVER YOU DECIDE TO DO WILL BE FOR A
- 12 BETTER FUTURE. WE BELIEVE IN THE FREEDOM OF SPEECH IN ONE
- 13 DREAM ACT TO IMPROVE THE LIFE, AND THE QUALITY OF LIFE OF OUR
- 14 KIDS WHO ARE THE FUTURE OF OUR NATION. THANK YOU.

16 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: YES, MA'AM.

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18 NICKIE MINER: MY NAME IS NICKIE MINER, A CITIZEN OF LOS

- 19 ANGELES. I DON'T HEAR A SPIRIT OF COOPERATION, I HEAR
- 20 IMPASSIONED SPEECHES THAT IN ORDER TO ACHIEVE CERTAIN GOALS IT
- 21 IS ON THE BACKS OF COMMUNITIES THAT ALSO HAVE THEIR RIGHTS.
- 22 THE PEOPLE WHO ARE IN, FOR INSTANCE, MY DISTRICT, DISTRICT 3,
- 23 ARE GOING TO BE DESTROYED. THE COMMUNITIES WILL NEVER BE THE
- 24 SAME. THAT WILL BE THE HISTORY, THAT WILL BE THE LEGACY. I
- 25 DON'T THINK IT'S RIGHT FOR CERTAIN PEOPLE TO ACHIEVE THEIR



- 1 WANTS ON THE BACKS OF OTHER PEOPLE WHOSE RIGHTS WILL BE
- 2 DESTROYED. CLEARLY, A-3 COMPLIES WITH THE VOTERS RIGHT ACT.
- 3 YET I HEAR VEILED THREATS AGAINST IT IF THAT WERE TO WIN OUT.
- 4 I HEAR PRESSURE, I HEAR ALL KINDS OF THINGS THAT REALLY DON'T
- 5 SIT RIGHT WITH THE WAY OUR COUNTRY, OUR COUNTY, OUR GOVERNMENT
- 6 SHOULD BE RUN. THIS IS NOT A PRESSURE SITUATION FOR ONE
- 7 COMMUNITY TO TAKE OVER ANOTHER COMMUNITY. THIS IS NOT A COUP,
- 8 IT'S NOT A TAKEOVER, IT SHOULD BE A COOPERATIVE SITUATION
- 9 WHERE EVERYBODY CAN GET WHAT THEY NEED AND NOBODY DENIES
- 10 ANYBODY THEIR RIGHTS BUT CERTAINLY IT SEEMS THAT THE --

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- 12 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I'M SORRY. LET ME
- 13 ALSO CALL UP JILL BAUMAN. BILL BUERGE. SHAWNA CALLAHAN. SHAWNA
- 14 CALLAHAN. MANUEL CARILLO. MARY CARILLO. BIANCA CASTELLANOS,
- 15 JOSE CERVANTES. JOSE CERVANTES. JOSE CORDOVA. DARYL CUMMINGS.
- 16 LARRY CUSHMAN? LARRY CUSHMAN? BERTHA FAUSTINOS? ERMA RESENDEZ,
- 17 ERIC PREVEN AND TRINIDAD GOMEZ, TRINIDAD GOMEZ. YES, SIR.

- 19 GEORGE ABRAHAMS: HI I'M GEORGE ABRAHAMS, I WILL SPEAK FOR THE
- 20 OAKS HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, WHICH REPRESENTS 800 HOMES IN THE
- 21 HOLLYWOOD HILLS JUST SOUTH OF GRIFFITH PARK AND THE OAKS
- 22 SUPPORTS A-3 AMENDED. PLANS S-2 OR T-1 WOULD SUDDENLY MOVE THE
- 23 OAKS INTO A DIFFERENT DISTRICT UNDER THE LEADERSHIP OF A
- 24 SUPERVISOR WHOM WE NEVER ELECTED. THEY WOULD SPLIT US OFF FROM
- 25 THE WESTERN COMMUNITIES AND THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS RANGE



- 1 AND DILUTE OUR ABILITY TO COORDINATE AND CREATE SOLUTIONS FOR
- 2 IMPORTANT COMMON CONCERNS, INCLUDING DISASTER PREPAREDNESS,
- 3 RECOVERY AND RESPONSE, PROTECTION OF THE HEALTH OF THE
- 4 WATERSHED, PROTECTION OF TRANSPORTATION, LINKS BETWEEN OUR
- 5 NEIGHBORHOOD AND HOLLYWOOD AND THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY,
- 6 PROTECTION OF GRIFFITH PARK, PRESERVATION OF OPEN SPACE AND
- 7 DEVELOPMENT OF TRAIL AND WILDLIFE CORRIDORS, THE ABILITY TO
- 8 EFFECTIVELY ADDRESS COMMON CONCERNS THAT HAVE BEEN MANAGED FOR
- 9 DECADES THROUGH A NATURAL GEOGRAPHIC COALITION AMONG THE SANTA
- 10 MONICA MOUNTAINS RANGE AND OUR ABILITY TO SPEAK WITH A STRONG
- 11 VOICE --

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13 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU, SIR. THANK YOU.

- 15 IRMA RESENDEZ: MY NAME IS IRMA RESENDEZ, I'M THE FOUNDER AND
- 16 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR FOR FAMILIA UNIDA, LIVING WITH MULTIPLE
- 17 SCLEROSIS. WE'RE RECOGNIZED IN THE UNITED STATES AS THE FIRST
- 18 M.S. ORGANIZATION TO OUTREACH TO THE LATINO COMMUNITY. AND
- 19 WHAT'S HAPPENING TODAY REMINDS ME OF THAT, PRIOR TO THAT,
- 20 PRIOR TO FAMILIA UNIDA, PEOPLE THAT DID NOT SPEAK ENGLISH OR
- 21 LATINO BACKGROUND WERE NOT GETTING CRITICAL SERVICES AND
- 22 SUPPORT, AND WHAT I'M SAYING IS WE NEED TO KEEP THE VOTERS --
- 23 EXCUSE ME, THE -- OUR ACT TO BE ABLE TO HAVE OUR VOICES HEARD.
- 24 OKAY? THE VOTERS ACT. ADDITIONALLY, WHAT I SEE HAPPENING IS
- 25 THAT PRIOR TO OUR SUPERVISOR MOLINA BEING A PART OF THIS



- 1 BOARD, THAT WAS A GREAT EXAMPLE OF HOW MANY PROGRAMS WERE NOT
- 2 IMPLEMENTED, ESPECIALLY IN EAST LOS ANGELES, THE PLACE WHERE
- 3 WE SERVE, THAT WAS A DUMPING GROUND. WE DON'T WANT THIS TO BE
- 4 A DUMPING GROUND. DO NOT FEAR US. INCLUDE US. IT IS IMPORTANT
- 5 THAT WE SHOW AND WE EMBRACE THE DIVERSITY BY ALLOWING US TO
- 6 CONTINUE TO GROW AND EVOLVE. OUR PROGRAM IS ANOTHER EXAMPLE OF
- 7 HOW IT'S IMPORTANT TO SHOW, CONNECT WITH THE FAMILIES AND WE
- 8 NEED PEOPLE THAT WE CAN ENTRUST AND THAT WILL HELP TO BE NOT
- 9 JUST HEAR US BUT TO HELP US IMPLEMENT WHAT WE'RE TRYING TO
- 10 ACCOMPLISH. WE NEED THAT.

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- 12 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP GRACE
- 13 GONZALEZ. GRACE GONZALEZ. YES, MA'AM.

- 15 JOSIE CERVANTES: HI. MY NAME IS JOSIE CERVANTES. I RESIDE IN
- 16 DISTRICT 1 OF L.A. COUNTY. I AM HERE IN SUPPORT OF T-1 AND S-2
- 17 AND OPPOSING A-3 AMENDED. AND THE REASON WHY IS BECAUSE I HAVE
- 18 A FEW OUESTIONS FOR YOU. WHY ARE YOU SO AFRAID THAT ME AND
- 19 THOUSANDS OF -- HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS MORE LIKE ME WILL BE
- 20 ABLE TO VOTE? I BELIEVE THAT THIS BOARD MAY NOT TRUST, IF YOU
- 21 VOTE FOR A-3, YOU MAY NOT TRUST THAT PEOPLE LIKE ME HAVE THE
- 22 CRITICAL THINKING ABILITIES TO CHOOSE THE RIGHT PERSON.
- 23 MOREOVER, TO BE ABLE TO HOLD THEM ACCOUNTABLE POLITICALLY. I
- 24 BELIEVE THAT THE NUMBERS SPEAK FOR THEMSELVES. IT'S THE LAW,



- 1 AND IT'S MASS AND IT'S COMMON SENSE, SO I'D REALLY URGE YOU TO
- 2 SUPPORT REDISTRICTING L.A. COUNTY AND OPPOSING A-3. THANK YOU.

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4 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. YES, MA'AM.

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- 6 GRACE GONZALEZ: GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS GRACE GONZALEZ AND
- 7 I AM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF AN ORGANIZATION BASED OUT OF
- 8 EAST LOS ANGELES KNOWN'S VELA, VOLUNTEERS OF EAST LOS ANGELES,
- 9 AND THE REASON THAT WE ARE SUPPORTING T-1, SUPERVISOR MOLINA,
- 10 IS BECAUSE WE HAVE HAD A TREMENDOUS COLLABORATION WITH HER. WE
- 11 WENT FROM AN AGENCY OF SERVING 500 INDIVIDUALS TO CURRENTLY
- 12 SERVING OVER 15,000 INDIVIDUALS THROUGHOUT THE FIRST DISTRICT.
- 13 AND THROUGH HER LEADERSHIP, SHE HAS DEMONSTRATED THAT SHE
- 14 TRULY, TRULY UNDERSTANDS THE NEEDS OF OUR COMMUNITY. AND I
- 15 THINK THAT THAT ALONE SAYS A LOT IN REGARDS TO HOW WE AS A
- 16 COMMUNITY ARE GOING TO SUPPORT T-1. IF WE DON'T GO THIS WAY,
- 17 WE WILL LOSE ACCESS TO RESOURCES. OUR COMMUNITY DESERVES FAIR
- 18 EOUALITY. A CONTINUATION OF ACCESS TO PUBLIC SAFETY, HEALTH,
- 19 GREEN SPACE. I'M LOOKING AT WHAT'S GOING TO BE TAKEN AWAY AND
- 20 THE IMPACT THAT IT'S GOING TO HAVE IN OUR COMMUNITY. I MAKE A
- 21 CHOICE TO WHERE I WORK. I WORK IN EAST L.A. BECAUSE I TRULY
- 22 BELIEVE THAT WE ARE AN EDUCATED --

- 24 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MA'AM. APPRECIATE
- 25 IT. THIS CONCLUDES ALL OF THE INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE SIGNED UP



- 1 TO SPEAK ON THIS ITEM TODAY. WE APPRECIATE EVERYBODY'S
- 2 COOPERATION AND WE WILL NOW MOVE TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARINGS
- 3 ON PLANS T-1, S-2 AND A-3. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA.
- 4 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED, AND NOW WE WILL BEGIN
- 5 DISCUSSION AMONG THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. SUPERVISOR MOLINA?

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- 7 SUP. MOLINA: ALL RIGHT, AND I THINK MY STAFF IS GOING TO HELP
- 8 ME WITH THE POWERPOINT, AND I THINK THEY'LL SET THAT UP.
- 9 MARTHA? I WANT TO BEGIN BY THANKING SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. I
- 10 KNOW THIS WAS A TOUGH SESSION TO PROVIDE LEADERSHIP TO. THERE
- 11 WERE A LOT OF PEOPLE THAT WANTED TO SPEAK, BUT I THINK YOU
- 12 HANDLED IT VERY WELL AND I THANK YOU AND YOUR STAFF FOR
- 13 ALLOWING ALL OF THESE HEARINGS TO EXIST. I THINK PEOPLE FEEL
- 14 MORE COMFORTABLE ABOUT THE DECISION THEY WILL MAKE BECAUSE AT
- 15 LEAST THEY HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO PARTICIPATE, SO WE THANK YOU.
- 16 (APPLAUSE)

- 18 SUP. MOLINA: ALL RIGHT. I'M GOING TO HAVE MARTHA HELP ME WITH
- 19 THIS BECAUSE IF I RUN THE MACHINE, I WON'T DO IT RIGHT. BUT I
- 20 WANTED TO PRESENT A POWERPOINT BECAUSE I THINK THIS IS A VERY
- 21 SIGNIFICANT ISSUE, AS WE KNOW AND MANY OF YOU KNOW, THIS IS A
- 22 CRITICAL MOMENT IN THE HISTORY OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.
- 23 THIS IS GOING TO BE THE FIRST TIME IN 20 YEARS SINCE 1991 THAT
- 24 THIS BOARD WILL ADOPT A DISTRICTING MAP THAT HAS NOT BEEN
- 25 REQUIRED EITHER BY A COURT ORDER REVIEWED AND APPROVED BY THE



- 1 JUSTICE DEPARTMENT OF THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT. THIS BOARD
- 2 HAS THE OPPORTUNITY TO LEARN FROM OUR MISTAKES AND CHOOSE TO
- 3 MAKE HISTORY RATHER THAN REPEAT IT. BUT BEFORE WE TAKE THIS
- 4 IMPORTANT VOTE, IT IS CRITICAL THAT WE UNDERSTAND THE HISTORY
- 5 AND THE CURRENT REALITY OF LATINO EXPERIENCE IN L.A. COUNTY.
- 6 MY PRESENTATION TODAY WILL TOUCH BRIEFLY ON THREE KEY ISSUES.
- 7 NUMBER ONE, THE HISTORY AND THE CONTINUING LEGACY OF LATINO
- 8 DISEMPOWERMENT IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. NUMBER TWO, THE
- 9 REQUIREMENTS OF THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT AND, THREE, THE BOARD'S
- 10 OBLIGATION TO SELECT A MAP THAT COMPLIES WITH THE VOTING
- 11 RIGHTS ACT AND OUR U.S. CONSTITUTION. IN 1990, THE U.S. COURT
- 12 OF APPEALS FOR THE NINTH CIRCUIT UPHELD THE FEDERAL DISTRICT
- 13 COURT'S FINDING THAT THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF
- 14 SUPERVISORS VIOLATED THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT AND THE U.S.
- 15 CONSTITUTION BY DELIBERATELY, BY DELIBERATELY DILUTING THE
- 16 STRENGTH OF THE LATINO VOTE IN ORDER TO PRESERVE THEIR
- 17 INCUMBENCIES. THIS HISTORY, DOCUMENTED IN THE GARZA- COUNTY OF
- 18 LOS ANGELES SPANNED FROM THE 1950S THROUGH 1990. DURING THAT
- 19 40-YEAR PERIOD THE FEDERAL COURT FOUND THAT SUPERVISORS
- 20 ACTIVELY ATTEMPTED TO PRESERVE THE STATUS QUO BY DELIBERATELY
- 21 DRAWING DISTRICT LINES TO MAINTAIN THEIR SUPERVISORIAL
- 22 DISTRICT SEATS AT THE EXPENSE OF LATINO CITIZENS IN LOS
- 23 ANGELES COUNTY. THE ARGUMENTS MADE THEN ARE THE SAME ARGUMENTS
- 24 BEING MADE TODAY, THAT CHANGING THE DISTRICT LINES WOULD BE
- 25 TOO DISRUPTIVE, THAT EXISTING RELATIONSHIPS ARE MORE



- 1 IMPORTANT, THAT NEW DISTRICT NEIGHBORS AND/OR A NEW SUPERVISOR
- 2 WOULD NOT UNDERSTAND THE NEEDS OF A PARTICULAR SPECIAL
- 3 INTEREST GROUP. THE COURT HEARD ALL OF THESE ARGUMENTS AND
- 4 REJECTED THEM. WHY? BECAUSE AS THIS MAP CLEARLY SHOWS, THE
- 5 BOARD INTENTIONALLY DREW LINES TO SPLIT THE CORE OF THE LATINO
- 6 POPULATION IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. AS YOU CAN SEE BY THE
- 7 BOARD'S MAP, SPLIT THE LATINO CORE BETWEEN THE FIRST AND THE
- 8 THIRD DISTRICTS. THE GARZA COURT ORDERED DISTRICT LINES TO BE
- 9 DRAWN THAT GAVE THE LATINO COMMUNITY A MEANINGFUL OPPORTUNITY,
- 10 AGAIN, A MEANINGFUL OPPORTUNITY TO ELECT A SUPERVISORIAL
- 11 CANDIDATE OF THEIR CHOICE. IN COMPLYING WITH THE VOTING RIGHTS
- 12 ACT IN THE CONSTITUTION, THE COURT CHANGED DISTRICT LINES,
- 13 AFFECTING OVER 3 MILLION PEOPLE, INTO THE DISTRICTS THAT WE
- 14 HAVE TODAY. IRONICALLY, THESE ARE THE VERY DISTRICT LINES THAT
- 15 ARE NOW BEING SO VEHEMENTLY DEFENDED BY THIS BOARD, ALL OF
- 16 THESE LINES WERE DRAWN BY A JUDGE. SINCE GARZA, THE 1990, THE
- 17 LATINO POPULATION AS GROWN BY 1.3 MILLION PEOPLE. TODAY,
- 18 LATINOS COMPRISE NEARLY HALF OF ALL THE RESIDENTS IN LOS
- 19 ANGELES COUNTY, BUT MORE IMPORTANTLY, THERE ARE ENOUGH LATINO
- 20 CITIZENS OF VOTING AGE TO COMPRISE MORE THAN 50% OF TWO
- 21 SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS AS CAN BE SEEN IN TWO DIFFERENT MAPS
- 22 BEFORE THIS BOARD. THE T-I MAP WHICH I INTRODUCED CREATES A
- 23 LATINO OPPORTUNITY DISTRICT IN THE FIRST AND THIRD DISTRICTS.
- 24 AGAIN, MYSELF AS WELL AS SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY ARE TERM
- 25 LIMITED, SO CONSEQUENTLY, WE COULD BOW OUT GRACEFULLY AND



- 1 ALLOW FOR THE FUTURE OF THIS BOARD TO FOLLOW THE VOTING RIGHTS
- 2 ACT. THE S-2 MAP INTRODUCED BY SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS
- 3 CREATES TWO LATINO OPPORTUNITY DISTRICTS IN THE FIRST AND
- 4 FOURTH DISTRICTS. SEVEN OTHER MAPS WITH TWO LATINO OPPORTUNITY
- 5 DISTRICTS WERE PRESENTED TO THE BOUNDARY REVIEW COMMITTEE. BUT
- 6 YOU MAY ASK, GIVEN THE LARGE LATINO POPULATION, WHY IS THERE A
- 7 NEED TO CREATE TWO LATINO DISTRICTS? THE ANSWER IS, AS I WILL
- 8 SHOW YOU, THAT THE LEGACY OF LATINO POLITICAL EXCLUSION AND
- 9 DISCRIMINATION IN L.A. COUNTY IS SO PERVASIVE THAT IT HAS
- 10 AFFECTED NOT ONLY THE WAY LATINOS AND LATINO CANDIDATES ARE
- 11 PERCEIVED BY NONLATINOS, BUT THE WAY LATINOS PERCEIVE THEIR
- 12 OWN ABILITY TO PARTICIPATE IN THE ELECTORAL PROCESS. IN LOS
- 13 ANGELES, THE HISTORY OF THE LATINO POLITICAL EXCLUSION CAN BE
- 14 TRACED AS FAR BACK AS 1880 WHEN DISCRIMINATORY WARD-BASED
- 15 ELECTORAL SYSTEMS FRAGMENTED MEXICAN-AMERICAN CITIZENS' VOTE.
- 16 THE LEGACY OF DISCRIMINATION WAS REPLICATED IN ALL WALKS OF
- 17 LIFE. IN EDUCATION, MENDEZ VERSUS WESTMINSTER OVERTURNED THE
- 18 LAWS THAT MANDATED THE SEGREGATION OF MEXICAN STUDENTS INTO
- 19 MEXICAN SCHOOLS. IN HOUSING, MEXICAN-AMERICANS HAD THEIR HOMES
- 20 AND LANDS TAKEN AWAY FROM THEM BY FORCE OR THROUGH THE
- 21 ILLEGITIMATE ACTIONS OF STATE COURTS. LATER, LATINOS FACED
- 22 DISCRIMINATORY HOUSING COVENANTS UNTIL RULED ILLEGAL BY THE
- 23 U.S. SUPREME COURT. AND IN HEALTH, IN 1975, ATTORNEYS FILED
- 24 AGAINST THE COUNTY, LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND ITS DOCTORS BECAUSE
- 25 OF THE FORCED STERILIZATION OF WOMEN WITHOUT THEIR CONSENT. I



- 1 WAS THE LEAD PLAINTIFF IN THAT CLASS ACTION LAWSUIT AGAINST
- 2 THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. IN JUSTICE BEGINNING IN 1855,
- 3 LATINOS WERE THE TARGET OF SPECIFIC LAWS AIMED AT CONTROLLING
- 4 AND CRIMINALIZING THEIR CULTURE AS WELL AS THEIR PAST TIMES,
- 5 THINLY VEILED AS ANTI-VAGRANCY -- LAWS. DISPROPORTIONATE
- 6 SENTENCING RULES AND POLICE BRUTALITY AGAINST LATINOS ARE ALL
- 7 VERY WELL DOCUMENTED. AND ENVIRONMENT. THE HISTORICAL
- 8 DISPLACEMENT OF LATINO COMMUNITY WITHOUT DUE PROCESS AND THE
- 9 PLACEMENT OF FREEWAYS AND ENVIRONMENTAL HAZARDS IN AND THROUGH
- 10 THE LATINO COMMUNITY EXPLAINS WHY LATINOS AND THEIR CHILDREN
- 11 ARE EXPOSED TO THE HIGHEST LEVELS OF POLLUTION IN THIS COUNTY.
- 12 AS TODAY'S TESTIMONY SHOWED, THE T-I AND S-2 MAPS DO A FAR
- 13 BETTER JOB OF CONNECTING COMMUNITIES EQUALLY BURDENED BY THOSE
- 14 ENVIRONMENTAL HAZARDS. GIVEN THE HISTORY IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY
- 15 AS PROFESSOR MATT BARRETO TESTIFIED TODAY, NONLATINOS ARE MUCH
- 16 MORE LIKELY TO VOTE AGAINST WHOMEVER THE LATINO CANDIDATE MOST
- 17 PREFERS AS ITS CANDIDATE OF CHOICE. WHY IS THIS IMPORTANT?
- 18 BECAUSE GIVEN THE LATINOS' LONG HISTORY OF DISCRIMINATION AND
- 19 POLITICAL EXCLUSION, THIS BOARD HAS A DUTY, UNDER THE VOTING
- 20 RIGHTS ACT TO DRAW DISTRICT LINES THAT DO NOT PERPETUATE THAT
- 21 EXCLUSION. THE A-3 MAP AS CURRENTLY DRAWN PROVIDES ONLY ONE
- 22 LATINO OPPORTUNITY DISTRICT, ESSENTIALLY THE SAME ONE THAT THE
- 23 COURTS CREATED 20 YEARS AGO. HOW DO WE KNOW WHETHER
- 24 MAINTAINING THE STATUS QUO ACTUALLY VIOLATES THE VOTING RIGHT
- 25 ACTS AND WHAT DOES THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT REQUIRE? SECTION 2,



- 1 THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT PROHIBITS ANY LAW OR PRACTICE THAT WOULD
- 2 HAVE THE PURPOSE OR EFFECT OF DENYING THE RIGHT TO VOTE TO
- 3 INDIVIDUALS BASED ON THEIR RACE, COLOR, OR MEMBERSHIP IN A
- 4 LANGUAGE MINORITY GROUP. COURTS LOOK AT THREE THRESHOLD
- 5 FACTORS AND A HOST OF SOCIAL AND HISTORICAL FACTORS TO
- 6 DETERMINE WHETHER THE JURISDICTION IS REQUIRED TO GROW ONE OR
- 7 MORE MINORITY DISTRICTS IN ORDER TO COMPLY WITH THE VOTING
- 8 RIGHTS ACT. THE THREE THRESHOLD FACTORS SET OUT BY THE SUPREME
- 9 COURT IN GINGLES VERSUS THORNBERG INCLUDE, ONE, 50% CITIZEN
- 10 VOTING AGE POPULATION, IS THE LATINO POPULATION SUFFICIENTLY
- 11 LARGE AND GEOGRAPHICALLY COMPACT TO CONSTITUTE A MAJORITY IN
- 12 ONE OR MORE SINGLE MEMBER DISTRICT? TWO, POLITICAL COHESION.
- 13 DO LATINOS GENERALLY VOTE FOR THE SAME CANDIDATES AND ISSUES?
- 14 THREE, RACIAL BLOC VOTING. DO NONLATINOS VOTE SUFFICIENTLY AS
- 15 A BLOC, USUALLY TO DEFEAT THE MINORITIES' PREFERRED
- 16 CANDIDATES. THE ANSWER TO ALL OF THESE QUESTIONS IS YES. THE
- 17 T-I AND THE S-2 MAPS CLEARLY MEET THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE
- 18 VOTING RIGHTS ACT. IN T-1, LATINOS COMPRISE OVER 50% OF THE
- 19 CITIZENS VOTING AGE POPULATION OF THE DISTRICTS ONE AND THREE.
- 20 IN S-2, LATINOS COMPRISE OVER 50% OF THE C-VAP NUMBERS OF
- 21 DISTRICT ONE AND FOUR. IN TERMS OF LATINO POLITICAL COHESION,
- 22 OF THE 27 RECENT ELECTIONS ANALYZED BY PROFESSOR BARRETO IN
- 23 HIS REPORT, ON AVERAGE, 71% OF LATINOS IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY
- 24 VOTED FOR LATINO CANDIDATES. WITH REGARD TO RACIAL BLOC
- 25 VOTING, USING THOSE VERY SAME 27 RECENT ELECTIONS, PROFESSOR



- 1 BARRETO FOUND THAT ON AVERAGE, 70% OF NONLATINO VOTED AGAINST
- 2 LATINO CANDIDATES. 70% OF NONLATINOS VOTED AGAINST LATINO
- 3 CANDIDATES. IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY, VOTING IS RACIALLY-
- 4 POLARIZED AND WHERE DISTRICTS AREN'T DRAWN SPECIFICALLY TO
- 5 GIVE THE LATINO COMMUNITY AN EFFECTIVE OPPORTUNITY TO ELECT
- 6 CANDIDATES OF CHOICE MOST OF THE TIME, THE LATINO COMMUNITY'S
- 7 CHOICE LOSES. WHERE THE COMMUNITY HAS SUCCESS IT'S
- 8 OVERWHELMING FROM THE DISTRICTS TO GIVE AN EFFECTIVE
- 9 OPPORTUNITY, WHICH IS WHY ALL FOUR OF THE CURRENT LATINO
- 10 MEMBERS OF CONGRESS AND 11 OF THE 13 LATINO STATE LEGISLATORS
- 11 WHOSE DISTRICTS ARE WHOLLY OR PARTIALLY IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY
- 12 ARE ALL ELECTED FROM DISTRICTS WITH AT LEAST 50% LATINO
- 13 CITIZEN VOTING AGE POPULATION. IN CONTRAST, THE A-3 STATUS QUO
- 14 MAP MAINTAINS THE DISTRICT LINES OF 20 YEARS AGO AND PACKS
- 15 ALMOST 60% OF THE LATINO CITIZEN VOTING AGE POPULATION INTO
- 16 DISTRICT ONE, FRAGMENTING THE REMAINING LATINO CITIZEN VOTING
- 17 AGE POPULATION ACROSS FOUR DISTRICTS, ONE AT 34%, ONE AT 23.8,
- 18 ANOTHER AT 32.8 AND 27.3. DESPITE THE FACT THAT LATINOS
- 19 COMPRISE HALF OF THE POPULATION OF THE COUNTY AND ALMOST 34%
- 20 OF THE CITIZEN VOTING AGE POPULATION, THE PROPOSED A-3 MAP
- 21 DIVIDES THE LATINO COMMUNITY IN SUCH A WAY AS TO LIMIT THE
- 22 ABILITY OF A LATINO CANDIDATE TO SELECT AND ELECT THE
- 23 CANDIDATE OF THEIR CHOICE TO ONE DISTRICT, WHILE ENSURING THAT
- 24 LATINOS WILL CONSISTENTLY BE OUTVOTED IN THE REMAINING FOUR
- 25 DISTRICTS, BY CAPPING THE LATINO CITIZEN VOTING AGE POPULATION



- 1 TO ONE-THIRD OR LESS OF THE CITIZEN VOTING AGE POPULATION IN
- 2 THOSE DISTRICTS. DILUTING THE LATINO VOICE IS A VIOLATION OF
- 3 THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT. SADLY, THE FRAGMENTATION OF THE LATINO
- 4 COMMUNITY PROPOSED BY THE BOARD IN THE A-3 MAP IS REMINISCENT
- 5 OF THE STRATEGY USED BY THIS BOARD FROM THE 1950S TO THE 1990S
- 6 TO DILUTE LATINO EMPOWERMENT. PROPONENTS OF THE A-3 MAP HAVE
- 7 NOT REFUTED THE EVIDENCE PROVIDED BY THE BOUNDARY REVIEW
- 8 COMMITTEE'S MINORITY REPORT THAT UNDER SECTION 2 OF THE VOTING
- 9 RIGHTS ACT, TWO EFFECTIVE LATINO OPPORTUNITY DISTRICTS ARE
- 10 REOUIRED. AT A TIME OF EXTREME ECONOMIC HARDSHIP AND
- 11 DIFFICULTY FOR ALL RESIDENTS OF THE COUNTY, THIS BOARD SHOULD
- 12 NOT TAKE AN INDEFENSIBLE POSITION THAT WOULD BE INVITING
- 13 LITIGATION, COSTING THE COUNTY MILLIONS OF DOLLARS THAT WE
- 14 CERTAINLY CAN'T AFFORD. LASTLY, WHILE WE UNDERSTAND THAT
- 15 CHANGE IS DIFFICULT AND THAT RELATIONSHIPS MATTER, AS CITIZENS
- 16 AND AMERICANS, WE EMBRACE THE OBLIGATIONS OF OUR U.S.
- 17 CONSTITUTION, OUR LAWS AND OUR DEMOCRATIC PRINCIPLES WHICH
- 18 REOUIRE US TO ENSURE THAT WE DO NOT VIOLATE THE FUNDAMENTAL
- 19 RIGHTS OF SOME FOR THE CONVENIENCE OF OTHERS. AS I HAVE SHOWN,
- 20 THE LATINO COMMUNITY MEETS ALL OF THE REQUIREMENTS UNDER THE
- 21 VOTING RIGHTS ACT TO SUPPORT AN ADDITIONAL LATINO OPPORTUNITY
- 22 DISTRICT. THIS BOARD IS OBLIGATED TO CREATE TWO LATINO
- 23 OPPORTUNITY DISTRICTS UNDER THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT THAT INSURE
- 24 THE LATINO CITIZENS IN THIS COUNTRY HAVE AN EFFECTIVE
- 25 OPPORTUNITY TO PARTICIPATE IN THE ELECTORAL PROCESS AND TO



- 1 ELECT THE CANDIDATE OF THEIR CHOICE. I URGE THIS BOARD TO DO
- 2 THE RIGHT THING. LET'S MAKE HISTORY. LET'S NOT REPEAT IT.
- 3 [APPLAUSE.] (GAVEL).

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- 5 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: PLEASE, WE CANNOT ALLOW APPLAUSE. YOU
- 6 CAN DO THE HAND WAVE AS I SAID AT THE BEGINNING OF THIS
- 7 MEETING TO EXPRESS YOUR SUPPORT OR DISPLEASURE, THANK YOU.
- 8 OKAY. WE HAVE THREE PLANS THAT ARE ON THE TABLE. AND THE
- 9 PROGRAM SHOULD PROCEED BY VOTING ON EACH OF THE THREE
- 10 BEGINNING WITH THE FIRST PLAN.

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12 SUP. KNABE: I HAVE SOME COMMENTS.

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14 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: OKAY. COMMENT. SUPERVISOR KNABE.

- 16 SUP. KNABE: I, LIKE SUPERVISOR MOLINA, WANT TO THANK EVERYONE
- 17 WHO HAS TAKEN TIME TO COME DOWN TODAY AND THE OTHER TWO PUBLIC
- 18 HEARINGS AS WELL AS THE B.R.C. PROCESS, TO PARTICIPATE. WHILE
- 19 THIS IS A VERY DIFFICULT AND COMPLICATED PROCESS, THERE IS
- 20 SOMETHING REALLY SPECIAL ABOUT WHAT HAS HAPPENED OVER THE LAST
- 21 SEVERAL MONTHS, AND IT'S BEEN OUR DEMOCRACY AT WORK.
- 22 THROUGHOUT THIS REDISTRICTING PROCESS, HUNDREDS AND HUNDREDS
- 23 OF PEOPLE HAVE COME TO TESTIFY. WE'VE RECEIVED THOUSANDS OF
- 24 LETTERS FROM CONCERNED CONSTITUENTS. AND WHETHER WE AGREE OR
- 25 DISAGREE, THE VOICES HAVE TRULY MADE A DIFFERENCE. I'D ALSO



- 1 LIKE TO SAY THANK YOU AND RECOGNIZE THE MEMBERS OF THE
- 2 BOUNDARY REVIEW COMMITTEE WHO VOLUNTEERED THEIR TIME AND
- 3 ENERGY OVER THE LAST SEVERAL MONTHS. I'D ALSO LIKE TO THANK
- 4 THE COUNTY STAFF FOR THEIR HARD WORK IN ANALYZING THE PLANS
- 5 AND CRUNCHING THE NUMBERS TIME AND TIME AGAIN THROUGHOUT THE
- 6 PROCESS AS WELL AS THANKING MY OWN STAFF FOR ALL THEIR EFFORTS
- 7 ON BEHALF OF THE DISTRICT, THE PROCESS AND ALL THE CITIZENS OF
- 8 LOS ANGELES COUNTY. WHILE I'M HAPPY TO SAY THAT WE'VE HAD THE
- 9 MOST OPEN AND INCLUSIVE PROCESS EVER WITH OVER 19 MAPS
- 10 SUBMITTED BY THE PUBLIC, IT MEANT MUCH MORE WORK FOR THEM AND
- 11 THEY DID AN INCREDIBLE JOB, COUNTY STAFF AND OUTSIDE COUNSEL
- 12 AND EVERYONE ELSE, SO WE WANT TO SAY THANK YOU, AS WELL. AND
- 13 ALTHOUGH DIFFERENT VIEWS HAVE BEEN PRESENTED, THE OVERWHELMING
- 14 MESSAGE THAT WE HAVE HEARD ACROSS GEOGRAPHY AND DEMOGRAPHICS
- 15 IS THAT THE SYSTEM IS WORKING. COMMUNITIES OF INTEREST HAVE
- 16 BUILT LONG-ESTABLISHED RELATIONSHIPS WITHIN OUR DISTRICT. THEY
- 17 HAVE WORKED HARD TO CREATE THESE COALITIONS. AND OBVIOUSLY I
- 18 CAN ONLY SPEAK TO MY DISTRICT HERE BUT I'VE HEARD FROM OTHER
- 19 DISTRICTS THROUGHOUT THIS TESTIMONY THAT WE HAVE ALL WORKED
- 20 VERY HARD TO BUILD THEIR TRUST AND BE RESPONSIVE TO THEIR
- 21 UNIQUE NEEDS, ALL NEEDS. PLANS S-2 AND T-1 WOULD REQUIRE THEM
- 22 TO ALL UNDO THAT AGAIN AND START ALL OVER AGAIN. AS WE KNOW,
- 23 LOS ANGELES COUNTY IS THE MOST DIVERSE COUNTY IN AMERICA. WE
- 24 HAVE THE LARGEST NUMBER OF FOREIGN-BORN RESIDENTS IN THE
- 25 NATION. WE ARE THE MOST RELIGIOUSLY DIVERSE. AND WE SPEAK OVER



- 1 135 LANGUAGES. I THINK I SPEAK FOR ALL OF US UP HERE WITH THE
- 2 PRIVILEGE OF BEING A LOS ANGELES COUNTY SUPERVISOR, IT IS OUR
- 3 JOB AND MY JOB TO REPRESENT ALL OF THOSE CULTURES, RELIGIONS
- 4 AND LANGUAGES, NOT JUST THE ONES THAT I AM OR PRACTICE OR
- 5 SPEAK. I'VE READ A LOT ABOUT MYSELF THE LAST SEVERAL MONTHS. I
- 6 WANT TO CONFIRM A COUPLE OF THINGS. I'M WHITE. I'M A
- 7 REPUBLICAN. I LIVE IN CERRITOS. AND YES, I'M RUNNING FOR RE-
- 8 ELECTION. BUT THE SUGGESTION, THE BARE SUGGESTION THAT I CAN
- 9 ONLY PROVIDE AN OUTSTANDING LEVEL OF SERVICE FOR THE PEOPLE
- 10 WHO LOOK LIKE ME IS FRANKLY, INSULTING. I'VE BEEN VERY
- 11 FORTUNATE TO HAVE MANY OF YOU FROM ALL AREAS OF MY DISTRICT,
- 12 FROM ALL RACES AND ETHNICITIES, FROM ALL THE SOCIAL AND
- 13 ECONOMIC BACKGROUNDS COME DOWN TO THESE MEETINGS AND VOICE
- 14 YOUR SUPPORT FOR ME, FOR THE FOURTH DISTRICT, FOR THE OTHER
- 15 SUPERVISORS, FOR THEIR DISTRICTS; AND I CAN ONLY SPEAK FOR
- 16 MYSELF BUT FROM THE BOTTOM OF MY HEART, I APPRECIATE IT MORE
- 17 THAN YOU ALL WILL EVER KNOW. BUT IN THE END, AS WAS MENTIONED,
- 18 THIS ISN'T ABOUT ME. WE DO HAVE TERM LIMITS. IT'S ABOUT THE
- 19 REPRESENTATION OF 10 MILLION PEOPLE WHO LIVE IN THIS GREAT
- 20 COUNTY ACROSS ALL THE DISTRICTS WE UNDERSTAND THAT EACH ISSUE
- 21 IS UNIQUE TO EACH GEOGRAPHY AND DEMOGRAPHIC, AND THE RESULT IS
- 22 PROGRESS AND EFFICIENCY. COMPARED TO OTHER LEVELS OF
- 23 GOVERNMENT, WE HAVE BEEN ABLE TO AVOID THE HUGE BUDGET
- 24 DEFICITS AND DRAMATIC CUTS IN SERVICES WHICH IS TESTIMONY TO
- 25 THE PRUDENCE AND STABILITY THAT COMES WITH DECADES OF



- 1 FAMILIARITY AND VERY, VERY STRONG RELATIONSHIPS. IF YOU LOOK
- 2 AT THE RECORD OF THIS BOARD AND ITS DIVERSITY AND SOME SAY
- 3 STATUS QUO, YOU SEE VERY FEW, VERY FEW 3-2 VOTES. MOST OF THEM
- 4 ARE 5-0, 4-1 BECAUSE WE ARE, AT THE END OF THE DAY, DEALING
- 5 WITH SAFETY NET ISSUES, NOT THE WAR IN IRAQ OR AFGHANISTAN OR
- 6 ANY OTHER PARTS OF THE WORLD; BUT TO THE PEOPLE RIGHT HERE IN
- 7 THE LARGEST, MOST POPULACE COUNTY IN AMERICA. MY PLAN, A-3
- 8 MOVES JUST OVER 277,000 PEOPLE TO NEW DISTRICTS. PLANS S-2 AND
- 9 T-1 ON THEIR OWN MOVE APPROXIMATELY 3-1/2 MILLION PEOPLE.
- 10 UNDER THOSE TWO PLANS, S-2 AND T-1, WE NOT ONLY FURTHER DIVIDE
- 11 PEOPLE, BUT WE ALSO DEFER THEIR VOTE AS WELL. SO THAT WOULD
- 12 MEAN THAT MILLIONS OF PEOPLE ACROSS THIS COUNTY WOULD BE
- 13 REPRESENTED BY SOMEONE, AND YOU'VE HEARD THAT TESTIMONY, FOR
- 14 WHOM THEY'VE NEVER CAST A VOTE. AND WHILE MY PLAN ATTEMPTS TO
- 15 UNITE AS MANY COMMUNITIES OF INTEREST AS POSSIBLE, PLANS S-2
- 16 AND T-1 FURTHER DIVIDE THOSE COMMUNITIES. WE'RE HERE TODAY
- 17 BECAUSE OUR NATIONAL CENSUS AND CONSTITUTION REQUIRE LOS
- 18 ANGELES COUNTY TO ADJUST OUR DISTRICT BOUNDARIES TO REFLECT
- 19 SHIFTS IN POPULATIONS THAT HAVE OCCURRED OVER THE LAST DECADE.
- 20 WE HAVE TO DO IT EVERY 10 YEARS. IN DOING SO, WE ARE GUIDED BY
- 21 COMMON SENSE, CASE LAW, AND MOST IMPORTANTLY THE VOTING RIGHTS
- 22 ACT OF 1965, THE LANDMARK LEGISLATION THAT OUTLAWED
- 23 DISCRIMINATORY VOTING PRACTICES AND THE DISENFRANCHISEMENT OF
- 24 MINORITIES IN THE ELECTORAL PROCESS. 20 YEARS AGO, THE COURTS
- 25 FOUND THAT THIS COUNTY, LOS ANGELES COUNTY, TO BE IN VIOLATION



- 1 OF THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT WHEN IT REDREW ITS BOUNDARIES TEN
- 2 YEARS PRIOR. I'M WELL AWARE OF THAT AND IT'S BEEN FORMED AND
- 3 OBVIOUSLY HAS SHAPED EVERY REDISTRICTING EFFORT SINCE,
- 4 INCLUDING THIS ONE, AND WILL DO SO FOREVER MORE. BUT WE CANNOT
- 5 HOLD ONTO THE PAST WHEN WE SEE CLEAR ILLUSTRATIONS OF CHANGE
- 6 WITH THE ELECTION OF MINORITY CANDIDATES AT EVERY LEVEL OF
- 7 GOVERNMENT, FROM THE PRESIDENT TO OUR STATE OFFICIALS TO THE
- 8 MAYOR OF LOS ANGELES, TO TWO OF OUR THREE ELECTED COUNTY
- 9 OFFICIALS AND IN MY OWN DISTRICT, ASSEMBLY MEMBER TONY
- 10 MENDOZA, AND IN THE LATE JENNY OROPEZA ON THE STATE SENATE ON
- 11 THE WEST SIDE. THE COUNTY'S OUTSIDE COUNSEL HAS SAID THAT A-3
- 12 MEETS THE REOUIREMENTS OF THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT. THESE LAWYERS
- 13 ARE UNBIASED AND REPRESENT ALL OF US. THEY'RE NOT PAID BY ANY
- 14 ONE OF US OR ANY SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP WITH A SPECIAL AGENDA.
- 15 WHILE MEETING THE LETTER AND SPIRIT OF THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT,
- 16 PLAN A-3 ALSO UNITES NEIGHBORHOODS AND MAINTAINS COMMUNITIES
- 17 THAT HAVE SHARED THE SAME ISSUES, SERVICES AND REPRESENTATION
- 18 FOR OVER 20 YEARS. MAPS S-2 AND T-1 WERE DRAWN WITH A SPECIFIC
- 19 GOAL OF CREATING A SECOND LATINO SEAT. IN DOING SO, HOWEVER,
- 20 THEY AREN'T ABOUT CREATING VOTER OPPORTUNITY; THEY'RE TRYING
- 21 TO GUARANTEE AN ELECTORAL OUTCOME, WHICH GOES AGAINST
- 22 EVERYTHING THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT IS ABOUT. AND IT'S NOT JUST
- 23 ME SAYING THIS. I'D LIKE TO OUOTE FROM A LETTER SIGNED BY
- 24 COMMUNITY LEADERS REPRESENTING DIFFERENT ETHNIC GROUPS ACROSS
- 25 OUR COUNTY, MARIO GUERO, THE COUNCIL MEMBER FROM DOWNEY,



- 1 CARMEN PEREZ, MARIO OCONN, ED WILSON, CHARLES AND MARTHA
- 2 HOUSE, MANY OF YOU KNOW, AND THEY QUOTE "IN RECENT WEEKS,
- 3 MALDEF HAS PUSHED A DIVISIVE MYTH ABOUT THE CITIZENS OF LOS
- 4 ANGELES COUNTY THAT ASIAN PACIFIC ISLANDERS, AFRICAN-
- 5 AMERICANS, ANGLOS AND OTHER GROUPS ROUTINELY VOTE IN BLOCS TO
- 6 PREVENT LATINOS FROM WINNING ELECTIVE OFFICE. AS A COALITION
- 7 OF MINORITY VOICES IN ONE OF THE ETHNICALLY AND RACIALLY-
- 8 DIVERSE COUNTIES IN THE COUNTRY INCLUDING MANY LATINO GROUPS
- 9 AND LATINO LEADERS, WE DO NOT AGREE WITH MALDEF. BUT UNDER
- 10 EITHER OF THESE PLANS, LATINO CANDIDATES WOULD BE ABLE TO RUN
- 11 IN DISTRICTS WHOSE ELIGIBLE VOTERS ARE OVER 50 PERCENT LATINO.
- 12 SO WHILE THE VOTING RIGHT ACT REQUIRES EQUAL OPPORTUNITY FOR
- 13 CERTAIN LATINO INTEREST GROUPS IN L.A. DEMAND CONTROL.
- 14 IRONICALLY, THIS WOULD BE ACCOMPLISHED IN PLANS S-2 AND T-1 BY
- 15 DILUTING THE VOTING POWERS OF A.P.I.S AND OTHER MINORITY
- 16 GROUPS. FINALLY THEY GO ON TO QUESTION THE CLAIM THAT
- 17 NONLATINO VOTERS BAND TOGETHER AT ELECTION TIME TO PREVENT
- 18 LATINOS FROM WINING BY CITING AS THE FEDERAL COURT FOUND IN
- 19 REJECTING THE CASE BROUGHT BY MALDEF IN 2001, MUCH MORE RECENT
- 20 THAN THE ACTIONS IN 1980 AND 1990, IT TAKES FAR LESS THAN A 50
- 21 PERCENT MAJORITY TO ENSURE LATINOS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY WHERE
- 22 NONLATINOS REGULARLY VOTE FOR LATINO CANDIDATES. AND THIS CASE
- 23 INVOLVED THE DISTRICT LOCATED IN THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY. THE
- 24 FEDERAL COURT FOUND OVER 30 PERCENT OF NONLATINO VOTERS
- 25 AFFECTED REGULARLY CROSSED OVER TO VOTE FOR LATINO CANDIDATES



- 1 WHILE ONLY 3 PERCENT OF LATINOS WERE WILLING TO VOTE FOR A
- 2 NONLATINO CANDIDATE IF A LATINO CANDIDATE WAS RUNNING. AS
- 3 THESE COMMUNITY LEADERS SUGGEST, PLANS S-2 AND T-1 TAKE US
- 4 BACK DECADES, HANGING ONTO THE LEGAL BATTLES OF 20 YEARS AGO,
- 5 THERE'S NOTHING TO MOVE US FORWARD. YES, THE COURTS RULED THAT
- 6 THERE WAS DISCRIMINATION AT THAT TIME. AND THE BOARD SHOULD
- 7 HAVE AND DID CORRECT THAT. WE MUST ALWAYS BE COMMITTED AND
- 8 DILIGENT ABOUT INSURING THE REPRESENTATION AND RIGHTS OF ALL
- 9 ETHNICITIES IN OUR GREAT COUNTY. BUT THAT DOES NOT MEAN
- 10 PITTING ONE RACIAL GROUP AGAINST THE OTHER. I AGAIN JUST WANT
- 11 TO THANK EVERYONE WHO HAS TAKEN THE TIME TO PARTICIPATE IN
- 12 THIS PROCESS. I KNOW AT THE END OF THE DAY WE ALL SHARE A LOVE
- 13 OF THIS GREAT COUNTY. I BELIEVE THAT OUR STRENGTH COMES FROM
- 14 OUR DIVERSITY AND OUR VIBRANCY FROM THE CULTURES WE RESPECT,
- 15 TREASURE AND DEAL WITH. IN THESE TOUGH ECONOMIC TIMES, WE NEED
- 16 TO JOIN TOGETHER ACROSS RACES AND GEOGRAPHY NO DIVERT TO THE
- 17 RACIAL DIVIDE OF 30 YEARS AGO. THE POLITICS OF NOW IS ABOUT
- 18 WORKING TOGETHER TO SOLVE OUR PROBLEMS AND TO HELP THOSE WHO
- 19 NEED US NOW MORE THAN EVER. WE NEED TO MOVE FORWARD. WE'RE
- 20 GOING TO BE DEALING WITH RETURNING OF PAROLEES ON OCTOBER 1,
- 21 HEALTHCARE ISSUES, BUDGET. BUT AT THE END OF THE DAY OUR JOB
- 22 AS ELECTED OFFICIALS IS TO REPRESENT ALL ETHNICITIES, ALL
- 23 PEOPLE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. SO WITH THAT, MR. MAYOR, I WOULD
- 24 MOVE ITEM A-3.



- 1 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: MOTION FOR A-3. I'LL SECOND IT. I
- 2 THOUGHT WE WERE GOING TO DO A1, A2, A-3.

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4 SUP. KNABE: YOU CAN DO IT ANY WAY YOU WANT.

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- 6 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: I'D JUST AS SOON DO 1, 2, 3 AND THEN -
- 7 –

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- 9 SUP. KNABE: HOWEVER YOU WANT TO DO IT. I JUST PUT IT ON THE
- 10 TABLE.

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12 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: OKAY. WE'LL JUST PUT IT ON THE TABLE.

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- 14 SUP. KNABE: I THOUGHT WE HAD TO PUT IT ON THE TABLE. SO IT'S
- 15 ON THE TABLE.

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- 17 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: SO IF NO OTHER COMMENTS, I'LL ASK FOR
- 18 SUPERVISOR MOLINA TO MAKE A MOTION FOR A-1 AND THEN WE'LL VOTE
- 19 ON 1, 2 AND 3. SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS?

- 21 SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS: LET ME JUST OFFER MY ACKNOWLEDGMENT FOR
- 22 THE HARD WORK DONE BY MANY INDIVIDUALS, SOME OF WHOM ARE
- 23 VOLUNTEERS WHO SERVED ON THE RESPECTIVE COMMISSIONS,
- 24 SPECIFICALLY THE BOUNDARY REVIEW COMMISSION. WE THANK ALL OF
- 25 THEM. IN ADDITION TO THAT, I THINK IT'S APPROPRIATE TO THANK



- 1 OUR STAFF, PARTICULARLY TODAY AND UP TO THE DAY WITH THE
- 2 EXECUTIVE OFFICE AND COUNTY COUNSEL. AND THE STAFF MEMBERS
- 3 FROM THE RESPECTIVE BOARD OFFICES WHO HAVE PUT A LOT OF TIME
- 4 AND ENERGY INTO THIS EFFORT. I HAVE AND CONTINUE TO MAINTAIN
- 5 THAT THE BOARD HAS AN OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE A SIGNIFICANT
- 6 STATEMENT TODAY. AND I HAVE AND WILL CONTINUE TO ENCOURAGE
- 7 THAT. WE HAVE A ROUND OF VOTING TO ENSUE. BUT I THINK THE
- 8 PRINCIPLE IS WHAT MATTERS. IT IS THE LAW THAT MATTERS. AND I
- 9 THINK WE SHOULD BE ATTENTIVE TO THAT. I DON'T HAVE A LONG SET
- 10 OF COMMENTS TO MAKE AT THIS POINT. WE'VE MADE THOSE COMMENTS
- IN A NUMBER OF VENUES PUBLICLY. BUT GIVEN MY OWN BACKGROUND,
- 12 AND I MEAN THAT BY WAY OF PROFESSION, MY OWN HISTORY, IT'S A
- 13 SOURCE OF CONTINUITY, IT'S A SOURCE OF PRIDE TO HAVE STOOD IN
- 14 THE TRADITION TO ARGUE FROM THE PERSPECTIVE OF VOTING RIGHTS,
- 15 GROUNDED IN THE 1965 ACT ITSELF IN TAKING A BROAD VIEW. IT
- 16 SHOULD NOT BE IGNORED THAT WHEN NAMES THAT WE INVOKE WITH SUCH
- 17 FREQUENCY, MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., AND MOST RECENTLY WHEN IN
- 18 WASHINGTON, D.C. CELEBRATING THE KING MEMORIAL, CONGRESSMAN
- 19 JOHN LEWIS AND OTHERS WHO MARCHED ACROSS THAT EDMUND PETTUS
- 20 BRIDGE, THEY ESSENTIALLY CHALLENGED THE STATUS QUO. THEY WERE
- 21 NOT ATTEMPTING TO BE APOLOGISTS FOR THE STATUS QUO. THEY GAVE
- 22 NEW DEFINITION TO PATRIOTISM. AND THEY DIDN'T NECESSARILY KNOW
- 23 THAT WHAT THEY HAD TO SAY AND WHAT THEY WERE IN FACT DOING
- 24 WOULD HAVE IMPLICATIONS FOR THE VERY DEBATE THAT HAS ENSUED
- 25 TODAY. AND, YET, THEY WERE WILLING TO STEP FORWARD. NOT SIMPLY



- 1 FOR A SINGLE ETHNIC GROUP OF THEIR OWN, NAMELY AFRICAN-
- 2 AMERICANS, BUT THEY WERE WILLING TO STEP FORWARD IN PURSUIT OF
- 3 THE HIGHEST IN AMERICAN IDEALS AS A PROMOTION OF THE
- 4 DEMOCRATIC PROCESS. AND SO THAT AT ITS BEST IS WHAT THE VOTING
- 5 RIGHTS ACT IS ABOUT. IT IS MY VIEW THAT S-2 AND T-1 SQUARE
- 6 MOST EFFECTIVELY WITH THE SPIRIT, THE INTENT AND THE LETTER OF
- 7 THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT. AND IT WOULD SEEM TO ME THAT THIS BOARD
- 8 COULD EMBRACE THAT FROM THE PERSPECTIVE OF WHAT IS
- 9 HISTORICALLY CONSISTENT WITH WHAT WOULD BE A FAIR DISPOSITION
- 10 OF THE MATTER BEFORE US. SO, MR. MAYOR AND COLLEAGUES, I WISH
- 11 TO ONCE AGAIN, PURSUANT TO THE HARD WORK OF THE COMMUNITY
- 12 EMPOWERMENT ADVOCATES WHO BROUGHT FORWARD S-2, PLACE IT BEFORE
- 13 US FOR OUR CONSIDERATION AND I SO MOVE.

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- 15 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: OKAY SO WE HAVE A MOTION FOR THE
- 16 SECOND PLAN. WE'LL BEGIN WITH THE FIRST PLAN, MOTION BY
- 17 SUPERVISOR MOLINA.

- 19 SUP. MOLINA: I UNDERSTAND I HAVE TO READ THIS AND I WILL. I AM
- 20 GOING TO MOVE TO APPROVE PLAN T-1 AS THE 2011 DECENNIAL
- 21 REDISTRICTING MAP FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES AND ADOPT THE
- 22 ACCOMPANYING ORDINANCE AMENDING THE COUNTY CODE TITLE 1
- 23 GENERAL PROVISIONS TO REPEAL THE BOUNDARY ORDINANCE AND
- 24 REENACT IT TO ADJUST THE SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT BOUNDARIES IN
- 25 ACCORDANCE WITH THE 2011 FEDERAL DECENNIAL CENSUS AS REQUIRED



- 1 BY THE ELECTIONS CODE SECTIONS 21-500. AND I THINK THAT'S THE
- 2 OFFICIAL LANGUAGE THAT WE NEED TO READ IN. MOTION, SUPERVISOR
- 3 MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS?

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5 SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS: I'LL SECOND THAT.

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7 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: WE HAVE A SECOND. CALL THE ROLL.

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- 9 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: HANG ON, BEFORE WE DO THAT. LET ME MAKE JUST
- 10 A COUPLE OF BRIEF COMMENTS. JUST A THANK YOU TO MEMBERS OF THE
- 11 COMMUNITY THAT I REPRESENT AND ALL THE OTHER COMMUNITIES FOR
- 12 THIS UNPRECEDENTED TURNOUT NOW. THREE HEARINGS, ESPECIALLY THE
- 13 LAST TWO, WHICH WERE TWO OF THE LARGEST PUBLIC HEARINGS THAT I
- 14 THINK I'VE EVER WITNESSED EITHER AT THE CITY, WHEN I WAS A
- 15 COUNCILMAN, OR HERE. THE WHOLE, IT WAS AN ELEVATED PUBLIC
- 16 TESTIMONY THAT WE HEARD AND I THINK IT CONTRIBUTED TO PUBLIC
- 17 UNDERSTANDING IF NOT THE BOARD'S UNDERSTANDING OF WHAT'S
- 18 BEFORE US. I WANT TO THANK MY STAFF AND ALL THE OTHER STAFFS
- 19 AS WELL WHO WORKED VERY HARD ON THIS. BUT I WANT TO REALLY
- 20 THANK MY STAFF FOR THEIR WORK. I'M NOT GOING TO SAY MUCH
- 21 SUBSTANTIVELY. I'VE SAID AND WRITTEN EVERYTHING THAT I NEED TO
- 22 SAY ON THE SUBJECT. BUT WE'LL TAKE IT FROM THERE. IF I COULD
- 23 JUST ASK A QUESTION. THE MOTION THAT YOU JUST MADE IS ON WHICH
- 24 PLAN?



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SUP. MOLINA: IT'S ON T-1.
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    SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: SO IS THAT GOING TO BE THE FIRST PLAN WE
    VOTE ON?
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    SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: YES. ITEM NO. 1.
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    CLERK SACHI HAMAI: ITEM NO. 1.
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    SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: I'D ALSO JUST ECHO. I WANT TO THANK MY
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    STAFF, STAFF WORKING WITH THE OTHER FOUR MEMBERS ON THIS
    AGENDA, THROUGHOUT THE ENTIRE PROCESS AND MY COMMISSIONERS.
12
    AND THERE HAS BEEN A LOT OF COOPERATION WITH THE STAFFS
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    WORKING TOGETHER TRYING TO PUT THIS, BOTH PUBLIC HEARINGS
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    TOGETHER SO EVERYBODY COULD BE HEARD FAIRLY AND WE COULD HAVE
    A FAIR HEARING. AND, AGAIN, FOR THE COMMISSIONERS THAT SERVED
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    ON THE COMMISSION.
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    SUP. MOLINA: I THINK WE SHOULD GIVE THEM A ROUND OF APPLAUSE,
    MICHAEL. AND ALSO SACHI. [APPLAUSE.]
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    SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: SO LET US GO IN FOR NO. 1. CALL THE
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    ROLL. [LAUGHTER.]
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CLERK SACHI HAMAI: OKAY. WE ARE ON ITEM NO. 1. THIS IS THE 1 FOUR-VOTE MATTER. SUPERVISOR MOLINA? 2 3 SUP. MOLINA: AYE. 4 5 CLERK SACHI HAMAI: SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS? 6 7 8 SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS: AYE. 9 CLERK SACHI HAMAI: SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY? 10 11 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: NO. 12 13 CLERK SACHI HAMAI: SUPERVISOR KNABE? 14 15 SUP. KNABE: NO. 17 18 CLERK SACHI HAMAI: SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH? 19 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: NO. MOTION FAILS. I RECOGNIZE 20 SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS TO READ IN A MOTION FOR NO. 2. 21 22 23 SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS: MR. MAYOR, I MOVE TO APPROVE PLAN S-2 AS THE 2011 DECENNIAL REDISTRICTING PLAN FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS 24

ANGELES AND ADOPT THE ACCOMPANYING ORDINANCE AMENDING THE



- 1 COUNTY CODE. TITLE 1 GENERAL PROVISIONS TO REPEAL THE BOUNDARY
- 2 ORDINANCE AND REENACT IT TO ADJUST THE SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT
- 3 BOUNDARIES IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE 2011 FEDERAL DECENNIAL
- 4 CENSUS AS REQUIRED BY THE ELECTIONS CODE SECTIONS 21-500. SO
- 5 MOVED.

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- 7 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: WE HAVE A MOTION BY SUPERVISOR THOMAS.
- 8 SECOND BY MOLINA.

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- 10 CLERK SACHI HAMAI: THIS IS A FOUR VOTE ITEM. SUPERVISOR
- 11 MOLINA?

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13 SUP. MOLINA: AYE.

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15 CLERK SACHI HAMAI: SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS.

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17 SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS: AYE.

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19 CLERK SACHI HAMAI: SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY?

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21 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: NO.

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23 CLERK SACHI HAMAI: SUPERVISOR KNABE?

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25 SUP. KNABE: NO.



1 2 CLERK SACHI HAMAI: SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. 3 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: NO. MOTION FAILS. I RECOGNIZE 4 5 SUPERVISOR KNABE. 6 SUP. KNABE: I THEREFORE MOVE TO APPROVE PLAN A-3 AS A 2011 7 8 DECENNIAL REDISTRICTING PLAN FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES AND 9 ADOPT THE ACCOMPANYING ORDINANCE AMENDING COUNTY CODE TITLE 1 GENERAL PROVISIONS TO REPEAL THE BOUNDARY ORDINANCE AND 10 11 REENACT IT TO ADJUST THE SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT BOUNDARIES IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE 2011 FEDERAL DECENNIAL CENSUS AS REQUIRED 12 13 BY ELECTIONS CODE SECTION 21-550. 14 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: MOTION BY KNABE. 15 16 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: I'LL SECOND. 17 18 19 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: SECONDED BY YAROSLAVSKY. CALL THE 20 ROLL. 21 22 CLERK SACHI HAMAI: THIS IS A FOUR-VOTE ITEM. SUPERVISOR

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25 SUP. MOLINA: NO.

MOLINA.



1 2 CLERK SACHI HAMAI: SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS? 3 SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS: NO. 4 5 CLERK SACHI HAMAI: SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY? 6 7 8 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: YES. 9 CLERK SACHI HAMAI: SUPERVISOR KNABE? 10 11 SUP. KNABE: YES. 12 13 CLERK SACHI HAMAI: SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH? 14 15 16 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: YES. 17 18 CLERK SACHI HAMAI: MOTION FAILS TO CARRY. 19 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: MOTION ALSO FAILS. OKAY. I WANT TO 20 INTRODUCE AN AMENDMENT IF THEY COULD PUT ON THE SCREEN. 21 22 23 CLERK SACHI HAMAI: MADAM COUNTY COUNSEL, I BELIEVE THAT THERE'S A QUESTION ON THE TABLE. THERE'S A QUESTION ON THE 24 TABLE FOR CLOSED SESSION. 25



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- 2 ANDREA ORDIN, COUNSEL: IT IS NOTICED FOR CLOSED SESSION IF WE
- 3 WISH TO HAVE A CLOSED SESSION. WE CERTAINLY CAN. THERE'S
- 4 LITIGATION OBVIOUSLY THREATENED HERE. SO IF THAT'S WHAT YOU
- 5 WISH.

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7 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: COUNTY COUNSEL WANTS US TO GO INTO --

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9 SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS: MR. --

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- 11 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: WHAT WOULD BE THE PURPOSE OF GOING INTO
- 12 CLOSED SESSION AT THIS POINT? WE JUST VOTED.

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14 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: ON THE PROPOSED --

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- 16 ANDREA ORDIN: IT IS THREATENED LITIGATION. WE'RE ABOUT TO SEE
- 17 AN AMENDMENT. AND WE CAN CERTAINLY GO INTO CLOSED SESSION.

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19 SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS: AND I WOULD SO MOVE.

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- 21 ANDREA ORDIN: TO DISCUSS ANY SECTION 2 ISSUES THAT YOU MAY
- 22 HAVE.

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24 SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS: AND I WOULD SO MOVE.



1 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: WHY DIDN'T WE DO IT BEFORE WE VOTED ON IT?

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- 3 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: BECAUSE WE DIDN'T KNOW WHAT THE VOTE
- 4 WAS GOING TO BE ON THE --

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6 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: BUT WE KNEW WHAT THE ISSUES WERE BEFORE US.

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8 SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS: NO, WE DIDN'T.

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- 10 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: WHY DIDN'T WE HOLD A CLOSED SESSION
- 11 BEFOREHAND?

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13 SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS: MR. MAYOR, I WOULD SO MOVE.

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- 15 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: COULD I HAVE AN EXPLANATION AS TO WHAT THE
- 16 PURPOSE OF THE CLOSED SESSION IS SPECIFICALLY?

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- 18 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: TO GO OVER THE PROPOSED AMENDMENTS
- 19 THAT WOULD BE MADE RELATIVE TO THE REAPPORTIONMENT PROPOSAL
- 20 BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TODAY. I THINK IT WOULD BE
- 21 VERY SHORT. IT'S VERY MINOR, BUT I WOULD LIKE TO GET COUNSEL'S
- 22 INPUT.

- 24 ANDREA ORDIN: THAT CERTAINLY IS APPROPRIATE AND WE CAN COME
- 25 RIGHT BACK OUT.



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2	SUP. KNABE: I'LL VOTE FOR IT. IS THAT A 3-2 VOTE?
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4	SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: WE'LL GO INTO CLOSED SESSION.
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6	CLERK SACHI HAMAI: IN ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN ACT REQUIREMENTS,
7	NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL
8	CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEM NO. CS-2, CONFERENCE
9	WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING SIGNIFICANT EXPOSURE TO
10	LITIGATION, ONE CASE, AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AND
11	SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDAS. THANK YOU.
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14	[CLOSED SESSION]
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17	SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: WE'RE BACK IN SESSION. I'M GOING TO
18	MAKE AN AMENDMENT TO A3.
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20	ANDREA ORDIN, COUNSEL: WHICH HAS NOW BEEN VOTED DOWN.
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22	SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: I'M MAKING ADJUSTMENTS AND
23	RECOMMENDATIONS AND MODIFICATIONS AND CORRECTING ANOMALIES AND
24	MAKING DIFFERENT-
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- 1 ANDREA ORDIN: THERE'S NOTHING ON THE TABLE. WE VOTED ALL OF
- 2 THE PLANS DOWN AT THIS MOMENT. WE'VE CLARIFIED SOME LEGAL
- 3 QUESTIONS YOU HAD OF OUTSIDE COUNSEL ON THE SECTION 2.

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5 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: LET ME MOVE FOR RECONSIDERATION.

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- 7 CLERK SACHI HAMAI: HE CAN'T ASK FOR RECONSIDERATION, IT'S A NO
- 8 VOTE.

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- 10 ANDREA ORDIN: AS YOU KNOW, UNDER ROBERT'S RULES OF ORDER, A
- 11 MOTION FOR RECONSIDERATION CAN ONLY BE MADE BY THE PREVAILING
- 12 PARTY. SO IT WOULD HAVE TO EITHER CONVINCE ONE OF THE
- 13 PREVAILING PARTIES TO MAKE THAT MOTION TO COMPLY WITH ROBERT'S
- 14 RULES OF ORDER OR-- NO.

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16 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: POINT OF CLARIFICATION.

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- 18 SUP. KNABE: CAN WE MAKE A MOTION TO SUSPEND ROBERT'S RULES OF
- 19 ORDER?

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- 21 ANDREA ORDIN: YOU WOULD NOT DO IT UNDER ROBERT'S RULES OF
- 22 ORDER. YOU WOULD GO TO SECTION 44 OF YOUR OWN BOARD RULES. YOU
- 23 HAVE THE POWER AND THE ABILITY TO SUSPEND THE RULES OF THE
- 24 BOARD BY THREE VOTES.



- 1 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: LET ME READ THE STATEMENT FOR MOTIONS
- 2 UNDER ROBERT'S RULES. IT SAYS "A MOTION TO AMEND MUST BE
- 3 SECONDED AND DECIDED BEFORE THE UNDERLYING MOTION THAT
- 4 REOUIRES A FOUR-FIFTHS ADOPTION BUT DOES NOT RECEIVE FOUR-
- 5 FIFTHS OF THE VOTES IS CONSIDERED DEFEATED. THEREFORE THOSE
- 6 WHO VOTED NO ARE CONSIDERING THE PREVAILING SIDE AND MAY MAKE
- 7 A MOTION FOR RECONSIDERATION. A MOTION FOR RECONSIDERATION
- 8 REQUIRES ONLY MAJORITY VOTE EVEN THOUGH THE SUBJECT MOTION
- 9 NEEDS FOUR VOTES. AN AMENDMENT, A MOTION TO AMEND MUST BE
- 10 SECONDED AND DECIDED BEFORE THE UNDERLYING MOTION. IT ONLY
- 11 REQUIRES MAJORITY VOTE EVEN IF THE UNDERLYING MOTION IS
- 12 SUBJECT TO A FOUR-FIFTHS VOTE. MOTION TO AMEND CAN BE
- 13 RECONSIDERED." SO THE QUESTION IS: IS THE AMENDMENT--

- 15 ANDREA ORDIN: I THINK THE SIMPLEST WAY TO DO IT IS TO GO TO
- 16 SECTION 44 WHERE YOU HAVE THE SUSPENSION OF RULES. YOU NEED
- 17 THREE VOTES TO SUSPEND THE RULES. THEN YOU CAN RECONSIDER IT.
- 18 AND YOU'LL HAVE YOUR VOTE, WHATEVER THAT VOTE IS. AND THEN
- 19 YOU'D HAVE THE MAIN MOTION ON THE FLOOR. AND YOU WOULD THEN
- 20 HAVE YOUR AMENDMENT.

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- 22 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY THEN SUPERVISOR
- 23 KNABE.



- 1 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: ON SECTION 44, CAN YOU TELL ME WHAT THIS
- 2 MEANS? "EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDE BY LAW, THESE RULES OR ANY
- 3 ONE THEREOF MAY BE SUSPENDED BUY ORDER OF THE BOARD?" AND THEN
- 4 THIS IS WHAT I WANT TO KNOW WHAT IT MEANS. "WHEN REGULARLY
- 5 ENTERED IN ITS MINUTES"? DO YOU HAVE THE RULES IN FRONT OF
- 6 YOU?

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- 8 ANDREA ORDIN: I HAVE GOT THE RULES.
- 10 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: SECTION 44 OF THE BOARD'S RULES.
- 12 ANDREA ORDIN: RIGHT, AT THE TIME AFTER WHATEVER YOU HAVE DONE,
- 13 YOU ARE JUST GOING TO PUT IT INTO THE MINUTES THROUGH YOUR
- 14 EXECUTIVE OFFICER.
- 16 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: "BY ORDER OF THE BOARD, THESE RULES OR ANY
- 17 ONE OF THEM MAY BE SUSPENDED WHEN REGULARLY ENTERED IN ITS
- 18 MINUTES." SO IF WE SUSPENDED THE RULES AND ACTED ON SOMETHING
- 19 TODAY AND IT DIDN'T APPEAR IN THE MINUTES A WEEK FROM NOW, IT
- 20 WOULD BE INVALID? THE ACTION WE TOOK WOULD BE INVALID?
- 22 ANDREA ORDIN: THERE MAY BE A CAUSE OF ACTION TO SAY THAT THAT
- 23 WAS THEN INVALID BECAUSE YOU HADN'T COMPLIED ENTIRELY WITH 44.
- 24 IT CERTAINLY IS POSSIBLE. BUT WE WOULD CERTAINLY ALWAYS PUT IT
- 25 IN THE MINUTES.



1 CID MOLINA MIKE ANTONOVICU COULD ASK FOR CO

- 2 SUP. MOLINA: MIKE ANTONOVICH COULD ASK FOR CONSIDERATION OF T-
- 3 1 SINCE HE WAS ON THE PREVAILING SIDE AND WE COULD BRING IT
- 4 BACK UP. [LAUGHTER.]

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- 6 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: THAT MAY BE THE ONLY WAY AND THEN WE COULD
- 7 SUBSTITUTE. THAT'S RIGHT.

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9 SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS: (SARCASTIC LAUGH).

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11 SUP. MOLINA: PLAYING BY THE RULES.

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- 13 ANDREA ORDIN: THE REASON FOR THE MOTION FOR RECONSIDERATION IN
- 14 ROBERT'S RULES AND THE IDEA OF MAKING IT THE PREVAILING PARTY
- 15 IS SO THAT YOU DON'T SPEND DAYS ARGUING BRINGING IT BACK OVER
- 16 AND OVER. IT ALSO SAYS IN ROBERT'S RULES YOU TRY AND CONVINCE
- 17 OR PERSUADE SOMEONE ON THE OTHER SIDE TO MAKE THAT MOTION.
- 18 BECAUSE IT'S SUPPOSED TO BE FRIENDLY.

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- 20 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: LET ME RECOGNIZE SUPERVISOR MARK
- 21 RIDLEY-THOMAS.

- 23 SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS: MR. MAYOR, IN LIGHT OF WHAT I'VE HEARD
- 24 FROM COUNTY COUNSEL AT THIS POINT, IT SEEMS RECONSIDERATION



- 1 WOULD BE THE SIMPLEST WAY TO GET THE MATTER BEFORE US. AND IF
- 2 THAT IS CORRECT, I SO MOVE.

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4 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: MOTION AND A SECOND.

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6 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: SECOND.

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8 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: ANY OPPOSITION FOR RECONSIDER-

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10 SUP. MOLINA: BUT YOU'RE NOT ON THE PREVAILING SIDE.

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- 12 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: I DON'T THINK YOU HAVE TO BE ON THE
- 13 PREVAILING SIDE TO SECOND.

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15 ANDREA ORDIN: IT'S YOUR MOTION TO SUSPEND THE RULES UNDER 44.

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17 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: NO THERE'S A MOTION TO RECONSIDER.

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- 19 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THE MOTION BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY THOMAS
- 20 IS TO RECONSIDER ITEM NUMBER A-3. SO WE HAVE A MOTION ON THE
- 21 FLOOR.

- 23 ANDREA ORDIN: AND RIGHT NOW, YOU'RE IN THE POSITION OF
- 24 ROBERT'S RULES OF ORDER SAYING THAT IT SHOULD BE MADE BY



- 1 SOMEONE WHO IS ON THE PREVAILING SIDE, I'M SORRY. YOU DID
- 2 PERSUADE HIM. I'M SORRY. YOU DID PERSUADE HIM.

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4 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: IS THERE ANY OBJECTION TO THAT?

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6 CLERK SACHI HAMAI: SO WE'RE ON ITEM NUMBER 3?

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- 8 ANDREA ORDIN: THE SECOND DOES NOT HAVE TO BE ON THE PREVAILING
- 9 SIDE.

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- 11 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: IS THERE ANY OBJECTION TO THAT? OKAY.
- 12 SO ORDERED.

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14 SUP. MOLINA: I OBJECT.

- 16 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: SUPERVISOR MOLINA VOTING NO TO
- 17 OBJECT. SO MOTION CARRIES FOUR TO ONE. LET ME MAKE AN
- 18 AMMEDMENT TO A-3, THE FOLLOWING AMENDMENTS. THESE ARE TO
- 19 CORRECT SOME ANOMALIES THAT ARE IN THAT PROPOSAL THAT'S ON THE
- 20 TABLE AT THIS TIME. ONE IS THE REASSIGNING THAT PORTIONS OF
- 21 CENSUS TRACT 602302 CURRENTLY IN THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE IN THE
- 22 FIRST SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT BE TO MOVED TO THE SECOND
- 23 DISTRICT RESULTING IN THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE ENTIRELY CONTAINED
- 24 IN THE SECOND SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT. AND THERE IS A ZERO
- 25 POPULATION IMPACT. NEXT IS TO REASSIGN THAT PORTION OF CENSUS



- 1 TRACTS 500403 AND 501200 CURRENTLY IN THE CITY OF PICO RIVERA
- 2 AND THE FOURTH DISTRICT TO THE FIRST SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT
- 3 RESULTING IN THE CITY OF PICO RIVERA ENTIRELY CONTAINED IN THE
- 4 FIRST SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT WHICH IS A ZERO POPULATION
- 5 IMPACT. THE NEXT IS TO REASSIGN THE PORTIONS OF CENSUS TRACT
- 6 930301 AND 400604 AND 400800 CURRENTLY IN THE CITY OF AZUSA
- 7 AND THE FIFTH SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT TO THE FIRST DISTRICT
- 8 RESULTING IN THE CITY OF AZUSA ENTIRELY CONTAINED IN THE FIRST
- 9 SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT AND IT'S A POPULATION IMPACT OF 295.
- 10 NEXT IT WOULD BE REASSIGNING TWO SEPARATE PORTIONS OF CENSUS
- 11 TRACT 408401 CURRENTLY IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF HACIENDA
- 12 HEIGHTS, ZERO POPULATION IMPACT IN THE FIRST DISTRICT, PLUS
- 13 THAT PORTION OF CENSUS TRACT 408202 CURRENTLY IN THE
- 14 UNINCORPORATED AREA AVOCADO HEIGHTS-BASSETT, 26 POPULATION
- 15 IMPACT AND THE FIRST DISTRICT TO THE FOURTH SUPERVISORIAL
- 16 DISTRICT RESULTING IN THE SOUTHERN CITY BOUNDARY FOR THE CITY
- 17 OF INDUSTRY NOW BEING THE SAME AS THE SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT
- 18 BOUNDARY, AND THIS WOULD BE TO REASSIGN THAT PORTION OF CENSUS
- 19 TRACT 209510 CURRENTLY IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES WITH A ZERO
- 20 POPULATION IMPACT AND THE SECOND DISTRICT TO THE FIRST
- 21 SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT TO ALIGN WITH CENSUS BUREAU TRACT
- 22 DEFINITION FOR 209510. SO THAT WOULD BE THE MOTION THAT I
- 23 WOULD MOVE ON THE BOARD AGENDA.

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25 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI: WITH THE AMENDMENT.**



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- 2 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: AS AMENDED. SECOND BY SUPERVISOR MARK
- 3 RIDLEY-THOMAS-- NO, BY SUPERVISOR KNABE. SUPERVISOR MARK
- 4 RIDLEY-THOMAS?

- 6 SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS: MR. MAYOR AND COLLEAGUES, ALLOW ME TO
- 7 STATE THE FOLLOWING. I BELIEVE, AS I'VE SAID RATHER
- 8 CONSISTENTLY THAT S-2 AND/OR T-1 WOULD BE THE APPROPRIATE,
- 9 THAT IS TO SAY THE CORRECT REDISTRICTING MAP REFLECTING
- 10 APPROPRIATE COMMUNITIES OF INTEREST AND IN FACT COMPLYING WITH
- 11 THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT. THERE IS A RATHER OBVIOUS LACK OF
- 12 CONSENSUS ON A MAP HERE TODAY THAT WOULD EMBRACE S-2 AND/OR T-
- 1. AND REGRETTABLY, I THINK ULTIMATELY WE FIND OURSELVES IN A
- 14 CIRCUMSTANCE WHERE A FEDERAL COURT WILL LIKELY DETERMINE
- 15 WHETHER A SECOND EFFECTIVE DISTRICT IS IN FACT LEGALLY
- 16 REQUIRED. AND SO IT'S MY VIEW IN ORDER TO EXPEDITE THAT MATTER
- 17 AND TO AVOID FURTHER WHAT IS POTENTIALLY A DIVISIVE DELAY AND
- 18 AVOID UNNECESSARY, WHAT I WOULD CONSIDER THE UNNECESSARY
- 19 GAMBLE OF THE UNCERTAINTY OF AN UNTESTED APPEAL PROCESS, I
- 20 THINK WE OUGHT TO, IN FACT, HASTEN GETTING TO CLOSURE, GETTING
- 21 A DECISION, A RULING THAT WILL CAUSE THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT TO
- 22 BE COMPLIED WITH. THAT IS MY VIEW. AND I WOULD JUST WANT TO
- 23 PUNCTUATE THE POINT BY SAYING WHEN THERE IS NO COMPROMISE, THE
- 24 COURT WILL DECIDE, TO THE EXTENT THAT THAT IS THE CASE, MR.
- 25 MAYOR AND COLLEAGUES, I RECOGNIZE THE ITEM THAT IS BEFORE AND

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2 ACCORDINGLY. 3 CLERK SACHI HAMAI: SO THIS IS ON PLAN A-3 AS AMENDED. IT'S A 4 5 FOUR-VOTE ITEM. SUPERVISOR MOLINA? 6 7 SUP. MOLINA: NO. 8 9 SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS: AYE. 10 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: YES. 11 12 13 SUP. KNABE: YES. 14 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: AYE. 15 16 CLERK SACHI HAMAI: MOTION CARRIES. [APPLAUSE.] 17 18

THE TIME IS UPON US AND WOULD BE INCLINED TO GOVERN MYSELF

21 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: MARTHA BARRERA? ERIC PREVEN? VICTOR

CLERK SACHI HAMAI: YES, WE HAVE SOME PUBLIC COMMENT.

- 22 ALEGRIA? RHONDA REED? OSCAR JOHNSON? MR. JOHNSON? DR. DUDLEY
- 23 CHAPMAN? CARLOS BUENIVIDAS? GILBERT SALINAS? MARIA CASTILLO?
- 24 NAJI ELHADARY? ANTONIA RAMIREZ? ARNOLD SACHS? OKAY. LET'S HAVE
- 25 IT QUIET, MR. JOHNSON.



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- 2 OSCAR JOHNSON: YES. MY NAME IS OSCAR. I SPEAK FOR THE
- 3 OPPRESSED. I SPEAK FOR THE STRUGGLING POOR AND I SPEAK FOR
- 4 CULTURE OF CHANGE. I'D LIKE TO THANK THE MOST HIGH GOD FOR
- 5 PRESIDENT BARACK OBAMA. THANK GOD FOR THE OBAMA FAMILY.

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- 7 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: WAIT A MINUTE. EXCUSE ME. PLEASE,
- 8 LET'S LISTEN TO MR. JOHNSON RIGHT NOW. COME TO ORDER.

- 10 OSCAR JOHNSON: AND SPEAK ABOUT INTERNATIONAL AND SPEAK
- 11 DOMESTIC. IT'S WRONG FOR EUROPEAN ALLIANCE, NATO TO DESTROY
- 12 AFRICA AND ASIA. WE SHOULD END PRO WESTERN DICTATORSHIP. WE
- 13 NEED JUSTICE OVER AMERICAN DEMOCRACY. WHICH IS BECAUSE
- 14 _____ THAT AMERICA DISLIKE WHAT ISRAEL DISLIKE AND AMERICA
- 15 LIKES WHAT ISRAEL LIKES. WE SHOULD END THE ISRAEL LOBBY ON THE
- 16 UNITED STATES WHITE HOUSE. WE NEED A FAIR AND JUST GOVERNMENT.
- 17 IT'S WRONG FOR EUROPEAN ALLIES TO DESTROY AFRICA AND ASIA IT'S
- 18 WRONG FOR COLONEL MUAMMAR GADDAFI TO REMOVE FROM LIBYA.
- 19 COLONEL MUAMMAR GADDAFI IS A FRIEND TO BLACK AMERICA. IN 1973
- 20 COLONEL MUAMMAR GADDAFI AND HIS WIFE LEFT AFRICA AND WENT TO
- 21 CHICAGO AND HAD DINNER WITH THE MOST POWERFUL BLACK LEADER AT
- 22 THAT TIME AND HIS FAMILY AND HE GAVE THE MOST POWERFUL BLACK
- 23 LEADER THREE MILLION DOLLARS TO HELP LIBERATE BLACK AMERICA.
- 24 BUT WHEN COLONEL MUAMMAR GADDAFI WENT TO SPEAK TO THE UN, THEY
- 25 WALK OUT ON HIM. THEY DON'T WANT TO HEAR WHAT IS TRUTH, THEY



- 1 DON'T WANT TO HEAR WHAT IS RIGHT. THERE IS ONLY TWO PEOPLE IN
- 2 AMERICA, SLAVE OWNERS AND SLAVES IN AMERICA. THE SOCIAL
- 3 SECURITY ACT AND THE BIRTH CERTIFICATE ACT HAVE BEEN TRICKS OF
- 4 DECEIT AND HAVE SOLD OUR SOVEREIGNTY AND THEY HAVE MADE
- 5 PROPERTY OF SLAVEHOLDERS CORPORATION. WE SHOULD UNITE AND WE
- 6 SHOULD UNITE AND WORK. WE SHOULD UNITE AND WE CAN MAKE A
- 7 DIFFERENCE AND WE SHOULD UNITE. WE SHOULD UNITE AND WORK FOR
- 8 THE COMMON GOOD OF ALL MANKIND BECAUSE SATAN IS ENEMIES WITH
- 9 ALL MANKIND.

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11 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU, MR. JOHNSON.

- 13 CLERK SACHI HAMAI: MR. MAYOR, BEFORE WE ADJOURN THE MEETING,
- 14 JUST FOR THE REPORTING OUT ON ITEM CS-1 AND CS-2 THAT WAS
- 15 HEARD IN CLOSED SESSION TODAY, NO REPORTABLE ACTION ON BOTH
- 16 ITEMS. THANK YOU.
- 18 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: OKAY. MOTION TO ADJOURN WITHOUT
- 19 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.
- 21 CLERK SACHI HAMAI: THANK YOU.
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